

**ROBERT ALDEN SWIFT, CPCU**  
**Principal – Swift Legal Group, P.A.**  
**Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter**  
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**LITIGATION**

- Successfully conducted numerous trials and appeals in State and Federal Court
- Achieved favorable resolution of complex, high profile cases
- Obtained summary judgments in numerous insurance coverage cases
- Practiced before administrative boards and licensing departments
- Board Certified – Civil Trial (through 2022)

**NON-LITIGATION**

- Developed and implemented quality control programs for both claims staff and counsel
- Presented numerous claims and agent training seminars on Good Faith Claims Handling; Negotiations; Low Impact Bodily Injury Defense; Coverage; First Party Property; Fraud Deterrence; Errors & Omissions; Legal Malpractice
- Implemented various casualty claims software programs on a national level
- Acted as claims liaison to regional management, underwriting departments; product managers and Board of Directors
- Analyze, revise and draft policy language, forms and endorsements to ensure compliance with Florida law and client needs. Liaison between insurance carriers and Florida Office of Insurance Regulation

**EXPERIENCE**

**Swift Legal Group, P.A. Orlando, Florida**  
**Principal - 2021 to Present**

Full-service law firm specializing in complex civil matters

**Swift Solutions Orlando, Florida**  
**Principal – 2021 to Present**

Expert consulting services in all insurance related matters

**Cole, Scott & Kissane, P.A., Florida**  
**Senior Partner, Orlando Office, 2007 – 2021**

- Represent a diverse group of clients in civil litigation matters.
- Meet with clients and develop trial strategy based on client needs.
- Litigate each case in full.
- Consistently achieve favorable results for clients, including numerous \$0 verdicts and summary judgments.
- Increased office size from 2 lawyers to over 80 lawyers and 150 total employees in 14 years.

**Senior Associate, Tampa Office September 2005 – November 2007**

- Handled case load of approximately 70 files while managing a group of 3 associates
- Successfully defended 3 trials within first two years.
- Achieved summary judgment on a complex insurance coverage case involving legal malpractice where the claims exceeded \$1,000,000.
- Obtained a withdrawal of claim on a very high profile multi-million-dollar insurance coverage case.

**Infinity Property & Casualty Corporation, Birmingham, AL**  
**AVP Claims, 2003 – 2005**

- Responsible for team of senior claims personnel and attorneys handling class action; bad faith; insurance agent E&O; and other claims brought directly against the corporation.
- Developed and implemented various quality control programs for both claims personnel and staff and independent counsel.
- Performed testing, cost-benefit analysis and implemented various claims-related software projects.
- Negotiated contracts.
- Developed claims Best Practices.
- Assisted in the merger of all Great American personal lines claims departments into a single department under the Infinity brand.

**Director Claims, 2000 – 2003**

- Managed all aspects of casualty claims operations and litigation management on a national level.
- Act as primary claims liaison to underwriting department. Assisted in the merger of Infinity and Leader National claims departments.
- Managed field operations consisting of over 220 employees on a national level during company transition

## **District Claims and Litigation Manager, 1995 – 2000**

Managed various field offices and litigation personnel on a regional basis

## **Additional Experience, 1983 – 1994**

Various positions in claims and claims-related positions, including attendance at trials; handling of arbitrations; attendance and defense of Workers' Compensation hearings; coverage opinions; small claims defense; liaison to agency base; surveillance; signed and recorded statements.

## **EDUCATION**

### **Western New England College – School of Law, Springfield, Massachusetts**

Admitted to the degree Juris Doctorate., *cum laude*, 1994

Class Rank: 7/216

Law Review

West Outstanding Scholastic Achievement, 1991-1992

Letter of Distinction in Torts

Letter of Distinction in Insurance Law

Student-Faculty committee

### **University of Connecticut – MBA program, W. Hartford, Connecticut**

Completed two semesters, 1988 – 1989.

### **Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut**

Admitted to the degree Bachelor of Arts, English Literature, 1982

Ithaca College London Program, 1981

## **DESIGNATIONS**

Florida – Board Certified – Civil Trial (through 2022)

Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU)

Florida 220 Property-Casualty General Lines Insurance License (through 2021)

All-Lines Claims Adjuster (CT) (through 2005)

Motor Vehicle Physical Damage Appraiser (CT) (through 2005)

Florida Certified Circuit Court Mediator

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

CPCU Society, Central Florida Chapter (Past President)  
Orange County Bar Association  
Defense Research Institute  
Florida Bar Trial and Appellate Practice Groups  
Member, Florida Bar (2005)  
Member, Connecticut Bar (1994)

## **REPRESENTATIVE TRIAL RESULTS**

Griffith v. Paradise of Port Richey (Pasco County 2006) Defense Verdict (GL)  
Dowell v. DeFeo (Pasco County 2007) Defense Verdict (GL)  
Jones v. Shriver (Pinellas County 2008) Defense Verdict (Medical Malpractice)  
Rivera v. Bill Heard Chevrolet (Seminole County 2010) Defense Verdict (Auto)  
Casten v. Nurse on Call (Brevard County 2012) Defense Verdict (Medical Malpractice)  
Gutierrez v Metro Muscle (Orange County 2012) Defense Verdict (GL Gym case)  
Lopez v Crystal Associates (Orange County 2013) Favorable Verdict - 35% comparative negligence and nominal damages (Negligent Security motel stabbing)  
Grandoit v Florida Peninsula (Seminole County) Directed Verdict (Property Option to Repair)  
Lettuce Entertain You v. Talk of the Town (Middle District – Orlando) Favorable Verdict of \$0 damages (Trademark Infringement)  
Baker v. Florida Peninsula (Polk County 2015) Defense Verdict (Property)  
Howard v. Cortes et al (Orange County 2016). \$20,000 verdict on admitted liability, knee surgery case with punitive damages due to DUI (Auto)  
Lewis v. People's Trust Ins. Co. (Brevard County 2017) Defense Verdict (Property)  
Figueroa-Ortiz v Zaccaro (Orange County 2018) – Verdict for approximate amount of medical specials for rear end collision with 4 surgeries and 3 additional future surgeries  
Amador v # 1 Dan's Recycling (Orange County 2019) Defense Verdict (Negligent Operations)  
Landis v. Zellner Ins. Agency (Volusia County 2020) Defense Verdict (Agent E&O)  
Torres-Torres v. K.W. International (Middle District – Tampa) Verdict for less than medical specials on admitted liability runaway truck case with multiple surgeries)  
Lemon v. People's Trust Ins. Co. (Brevard County 2021) Defense Verdict (Property)  
Bingham. V. Tower Hill Preferred (Pasco County 2022) Directed Verdict (Bad Faith)

## **REPRESENTATIVE INSURANCE COVERAGE RESULTS**

*Great American Insurance v. John Doe* (Southern District Florida 2006) Withdrawal of claim (Legal Malpractice)  
*Clarendon America Insurance v. Club Moet* (Middle District Florida 2007) Summary Judgment of no coverage (General Liability)  
*Great American Insurance v. Barrett* (Middle District Florida 2007) Summary judgment of no coverage (Legal Malpractice)

*Century Surety v. Smith* (Southern District Florida 2008) Withdrawal of claim (General Liability)

*Clarendon v. Taylor Ranch* (Middle District Florida 2009) Summary Judgment of No Coverage (Construction Defect)

*Alfa Vision v. Jones* (Middle District Florida 2009) Summary Judgment of No Coverage (Automobile)

*Praetorian Specialty v. PGA Village et al* (Southern District Florida 2010) Summary Judgment of No Coverage on a \$9M loss (Pollution Exclusion)

*Pastukov v. Atlantic Specialty Insurance* (Middle District Florida 2018). Summary judgment of No Coverage on single vehicle trucking loss under an Occupational Accident policy

*Storm Damage Solution vs Indian Harbor Ins. Co.* (Northern District Florida 2022). Summary judgment on assignment of benefits that did not meet the substance of the insurance policy.

*Bingham v. Tower Hill Preferred Ins. Co.* (Pasco County and Second DCA). Directed verdict in bad faith case with punitive damages based on lack of evidence of bad faith damages and failure to present sufficient evidence of other related acts as to punitive damages – upheld by PCA on appeal)

## **REPRESENTATIVE APPELLATE RESULTS**

*Simoes v. Wintermere Pointe HOA* (Eleventh Circuit 2009) – Affirmed summary judgment on national origin discrimination and retaliation claim (D&O)

*Brice Building v. Clarendon America* (Eleventh Circuit 2010) – Partial reversal of summary judgment on the applicability of the Other Insurance clause (GL)

*Essex v. Integrated Drainage Solutions* (Fla. 2d DCA 2013) – Reversed summary judgment on insurance coverage case based upon surplus lines laws and claims administrative statute. Included analysis of retroactive nature of statute.

*Bartley v. Florida Intracity Patrol* (Eleventh Circuit 2015) – Reversed and remanded for judgment in client's favor on false imprisonment and punitive damages (GL)

*Martin v Halifax Hospital* (Eleventh Circuit 2015) – Affirmed grant of summary judgment in favor of client on ADA discrimination (EPLI)

*Carriere v. Chunick Holdings et al* (Fla. 5<sup>th</sup> DCA 2017) – Affirmed grant of directed verdict in a personal injury suit against tow truck driver.

*Holmes v. City of Palm Bay et al* (Fla. 5<sup>th</sup> DCA 2018) – Affirmed grant of summary judgment on manner of handling red light camera violations

*Carabeo Carpets v. People's Trust Ins. Co.* (5<sup>th</sup> DCA 2021 – Affirmed grant of summary judgment on water damage limit of liability)

*Carruthers v. Tower Hill Prime Ins. Co.* (4<sup>th</sup> DCA 2023) – Affirmed denial of motion to amend complaint to add punitive damages claim)