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ANDREA TEVES SMITH

Andrea Teves Smith was born in New Brunswick, Canada and raised in Bradenton, Florida. She is a shareholder of the firm and has practiced in the firm's Lakeland office since 1994. Ms. Smith received her B.S. degree in 1991 in business administration from the University of Florida and her law degree from Stetson University College of Law in 1994. At Stetson, she served as President of the Moot Court Board, Research Editor of the Stetson Law Journal, Teaching Fellow for Research & Writing I and II, and was a member of Phi Delta Phi International Honor Legal Fraternity. She interned at the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida in Tampa under Magistrate Judge Charles R. Wilson (U.S. Circuit Judge for the United States Court of Appeals Eleventh Circuit).

Ms. Smith is experienced in trying cases before judges and juries in a broad range of civil matters. Ms. Smith has a state wide litigation practice in both state and federal court, which includes general civil litigation, business disputes, employment disputes, eminent domain and land use litigation, and creditors' rights in bankruptcy. She practices in federal court before the United States District Court for the Middle, Northern and Southern Districts of Florida, and the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals. Ms. Smith is a member of The Florida Bar, the American Bar Association, the Lakeland Bar Association, Polk County Trial Lawyers Association, and is a graduate of the Leadership Lakeland Class XXI. She is a frequent guest speaker on employment law topics, such as "Prevention of Employment Discrimination and Harassment in the Workplace," and commercial collections and construction lien topics.

Ms. Smith served as General Counsel and Board of Director for the Lakeland Area Chamber of Commerce from 2009 through 2012. She also served on the Board of Directors for the Explorations V, Children's Museum in Lakeland, Florida from 2011-2012. Currently, Ms. Smith serves as Secretary on the Executive Board of the Explorations V, Children's Museum.

Ms. Smith lives in Lakeland with her husband Brian and their two daughters.

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