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About John

As a litigator, John focuses his practice on defending companies and individuals in claims related to personal injury, negligent security, automobile accidents, premises liability, medical malpractice, nursing home abuse and neglect, construction litigation, and product liability. John handles all phases of the litigation process from pre-suit to verdict, defending lawsuits in state and federal courts throughout the state and the nation, for local and national clients. His experience also includes rideshare-related cases.

John co-chairs Hinshaw's Pro Bono and Community Involvement Committee in Ft. Lauderdale, overseeing community involvement and events and assisting in the office pro-bono initiatives.

John's Affiliations

- Jacksonville Bar Association, Board of Governors, 2021 – 2025; [A Day In the Life of a Lawyer \(video profile\)](#); Young Lawyers Section, Board of Governors, 2015 – 2019
- Association of Defense Trial Attorneys
- The Florida Bar, Student Education and Admission to the Bar Committee, 2021
- Jacksonville Association of Defense Counsel
- Jacksonville Women Lawyers Association, Board of Governors, 2021 – 2022; Membership Retention, Chair/Special Events, Chair, 2021 – 2022
- Chester Bedell Inn of Court, Barrister Alumnus

Areas of Focus

Industries: Aging Services; Construction; Insurance; Transportation & Mobility

Services: Complex Tort & General Casualty; Insurance Coverage Litigation & Counseling

Experience

- Secured a full defense verdict in a high-stakes \$1.8 million automobile injury trial, successfully representing a major worldwide corporation. Refuted claims of negligence with an alcohol impairment defense, bolstered by compelling evidence and expert testimony, despite the plaintiff undergoing multiple surgeries.
- Achieved a favorable verdict in an auto negligence trial with disputed liability, successfully arguing the case without the use of defense experts.
- Obtained a full defense verdict for a defendant surgeon in a complex medical malpractice trial involving devastating injuries.
- Obtained summary judgment in a premises liability case involving a slip-and-fall incident that resulted in surgical injuries.
- Assisted in successfully appealing an unfavorable defamation verdict, working to address legal errors and achieve a more favorable outcome.
- Represented the plaintiff in an auto negligence case and secured a favorable verdict following a five-day jury trial.
- Successfully secured the dismissal of a defamation case on behalf of a newspaper publication, effectively defending against unfounded claims.

Recognition

- *Florida Super Lawyers*, Rising Stars, 2016 – 2020
- Martindale-Hubbell, AV® Peer Review Rating

Credentials

Education

Barry University Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law, JD, 2007

Washington and Lee University, BS, 2003

Bar Admissions

Florida

Court Admissions

US District Court for the Middle District of Florida

Interests

Did you know...

John's favorite place is by or in the ocean, making Jacksonville, Florida, the perfect home for him. An avid football fan, he cheers for the Florida Gators and the Jacksonville Jaguars. When he's not spending time with his wife, two sons, and daughter, he dreams of one day joining a rock band and taking his family on tour.

Community/Civic Activities

- Assumption Catholic Church
- Washington & Lee University, Mu Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, Housing Corporation, Director and General Counsel, Volunteer

Thought Leadership

Presentations

- Co-Presenter, "Suits – Attorney Mentoring Best Practices for 2025," Hinshaw University, CLE Webinar, January 30, 2025
- "Talking Torts in Florida Courts," Munich Re Insurance, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Virtual Event, August 17, 2023

Publications

- ["JBA Board of Governors: Five years after COVID: A look back,"](#) *Jacksonville Daily Record*, April 3, 2025

Hinshaw Newsletters

- National Retail Newsletter – June 2015 Edition, Jun 25, 2015
- Consumer & Class Action Litigation Newsletter - April 2011 Edition, Apr 7, 2011

Press Releases

- Trial Spotlight: Hinshaw Legal Team Secures Complete Defense Verdict in \$1.8 Million Florida Auto Injury Case, Jul 17, 2024
- John Weedon Re-Elected to the Jacksonville Bar Association Board of Governors, May 6, 2024
- John Weedon of Hinshaw's Ft. Lauderdale Office Profiled in "A Day in the Life" Video Series, Jan 6, 2023
- John Weedon Re-Elected to the Jacksonville Bar Association Board of Governors, Aug 26, 2022
- Hinshaw Announces Election of Seven New Partners, Jun 30, 2017