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TRENT COTNEY | P.A.

CONSTRUCTION LAW GROUP

EDUCATION

Florida State University College of Law

Tallahassee, FL

Juris Doctor, *Magna Cum Laude*, 2014

- GPA: 90/100
 - Upper Level Class Rank: 13/267 (Top 5%)
- Business Certificate – Highest Honors
- Law Review – Senior Member
- Book Awards: Corporate Finance, International Trade Law
- Business Review – Executive Editor
- International Trade Simulation Diploma

Carleton University

Ottawa, ON

Bachelor of Arts in Law, *Honors*, 2010

EXPERIENCE

Trent Cotney, P.A.

Tampa, FL

Associate Attorney

June 2017 – Present

- Represent clients in all aspects of construction law, including but not limited to, litigation, contract review and drafting, construction defect claims, lien law, surety, bond law, arbitration, licensing, bid protests, and OSHA defense

Cole, Scott & Kissane

Tampa, FL

Associate Attorney

Dec. 2014 – Feb. 2017

- Maintain and manage a full caseload of complex, multimillion dollar construction litigation, representing developers, general contractors, design professionals, and subcontractors in all aspects of litigation.
- Develop and prepare substantive motions, and conduct arguments of the same during hearings.
- Engage in settlement discussions with opposing counsel, negotiating specific release terms, resolving cases in an effective matter.
- Perform analysis and draft detailed contracts and other written agreements.
- Conduct depositions of corporate representatives, experts, and other key witnesses.

Fuller & Myers

Tallahassee, FL

Summer Law Clerk

May 2013 – Aug. 2013

- Represent automotive dealers, both domestic and foreign, in navigating international trade laws, compliance with federal and state legislation, and litigation claims.
- Research and analyze case law and statutes to develop strategies for trials and settlement negotiations.

LANGUAGES

Mandarin Chinese

- Oral fluency

French

- Oral and written working proficiency