



R. Scott Traweek | Director

R. Scott Traweek joined the Pensacola, Florida office of Galloway, Johnson, Tompkins, Burr & Smith in 2003 after considerable experience in defending civil litigation claims throughout Florida and Alabama. Scott received a Bachelor of Science from the University of Alabama, summa cum laude, with a major in International Finance, and a minor in Economics, in 1992. He obtained his Juris Doctor from the University of Alabama in 1995. Scott's includes a variety of areas such as general casualty and insurance defense, including construction defect litigation, premise liability, automobile liability, product liability and wrongful death.

Scott's construction litigation practice has focused on defending alleged defect claims on behalf of contractors, subcontractors, architects and engineers, as well as defending those professionals against personal injury claims allegedly resulting from those defects. He has represented various carriers on coverage issues arising out of first and third party claims. Scott's practice also has included litigation of indemnity claims and claims regarding additional insured status.

Whether in the construction arena or other fields such as general casualty maritime law, Scott has often defended clients facing substantial exposure. Scott's practice requires an understanding of complex legal and factual issues, coordination of multi-disciplined expert consultations, and synthesis of that information into a successful litigation and trial strategy. That experience enables the formulation of a tailored exit strategy for cases through motion practice, mediation or trial.

Representative clients include Amerisure Insurance Company, Progressive Insurance Company, Universal Underwriter's Group, Zurich Insurance Company, Mendota, M.O.A.C., CNA Real Estate, CNA Commercial and CNA Construction Defect. Scott has been a speaker at several continuing legal education seminars and conducted seminars for various clients on insurance coverage, contract interpretation, construction defects, and employment related matters.

Scott's professional memberships include the American, Alabama, Florida, Mobile, Alabama and Escambia/Santa Rosa, Florida State Bar Associations, and Alabama and Florida Defense Lawyers Associations. He is admitted to practice law in all Alabama and Florida state courts, the Southern and Middle Federal District Courts in Alabama, the Northern District Federal Court in Florida, and the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals. Scott is also a past president of Northeast Pensacola Sertoma Club.

Scott enjoys sailing on his 36' Catalina sailboat out of Pensacola Beach, Florida. He believes that the skills gained on the water as a sailor in many ways carry over into his practice of law and make him a better advocate for his clients. Scott believes that "the planning, undertaking, and safely completing a sailing trip is analogous to the successful handling of a complex lawsuit."

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

- Florida State Bar Associations
- Alabama and Florida Defense Lawyers Associations
- American, Alabama, Mobile Bar Associations
- Escambia/Santa Rosa Bar Association

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EDUCATION:

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BAR ADMISSIONS:

- All Alabama and Florida State Courts
- Southern and Middle Federal District Courts in Alabama
- Northern District Federal Court in Florida Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals

PRACTICE AREAS:

- Construction
- Employer's Liability
- Insurance Defense
- Maritime and Admiralty
- Products Liability
- Property Insurance
- Federal copyright infringement