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Zachary D. Ludens is a Partner in Shaw Lewenz's Commercial Litigation Practice Group and Chair of the firm's Appellate Practice

Zach has served as counsel for many of the largest companies in the United States and has routinely litigated with and against the biggest law firms in the world. He has been revered as "Best Attorney in Miami" and "Efficient and Effective" by his clients and is consistently recognized for his intelligence and legal acumen. In recognition of his legal scholarship, Zach serves on the Editorial Board of the Federal Bar Association and his community involvement and activism were recognized when he was selected to serve as a Standing Committee Member for the 2024 Democratic National Convention.

Zach and his cases have been featured national news stories published in the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, Bloomberg, the Daily Business Review, Law 360, and NBC News. Zach represents businesses and individuals in complex commercial litigation, consumer litigation, insurance litigation, and financial services litigation, predominately in federal court. Zach handles litigation from the pre-suit process through discovery, dispositive motions, trials, and appeals. Zach has handled appeals in numerous of Florida's appellate courts as well as in a majority of the federal appellate courts.

In addition, Zach has substantial experience representing clients in civil, administrative, and white-collar criminal actions by the Department of Justice ("DOJ") as well as state and federal regulatory authorities, including the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC"), Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"), and Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Zach has worked alongside—and learned criminal defense from—some of the country's most renowned criminal defense attorneys. Zach has substantial experience in Medicare and Medicaid fraud, DME Fraud, health care fraud, and insurance fraud.

Prior to joining Shaw Lewenz and its predecessor, Zach practiced with a national Am Law 200 firm in Miami and a regional Gulf Coast firm in Miami, where defended some of the biggest financial institutions and insurance companies in the world.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

District of Columbia Bar Association Florida Bar Association
State Bar of Michigan American Bar Association Federal Bar
Association Broward County Chapter Broward County Bar
Association Federalist Society, Member

JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

Judge Jose E. Martinez
United States District Court for the Southern
District of Florida.

PRACTICE AREAS

Appellate Litigation
Commercial Litigation
Consumer Litigation
Class Action Litigation

EDUCATION

University of Miami, J.D., Magna Cum Laude

- Order of the Coif
- Senior Writing Editor, University of Miami Law Review

University of Miami, M.A., Public Relations

- Award of Academic Merit

Augustana University, B.A., Cum Laude,
Economics, Government and International
Affairs, History University of Florida, B.A.
with honors, Biology

AWARDS

Best Lawyers in America, 2025

Martindale Hubbell, A.V. Preeminent

Super Lawyers Rising Star, 2016- 2024

Richard A. Hausler Award Recipient

Dennis O. Lynch Award Recipient

BAR ADMISSIONS

California
Colorado
Florida
Massachusetts
Michigan
Minnesota
New York
District of Columbia
Supreme Court of the United States
United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas
United States District Court for the Western District of Arkansas
United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
United States District Court for the Northern District of California
United States District Court for the Southern District of California
United States District Court for the District of Colorado
United States District Court for the Northern District of Florida
United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida
United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida
United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois
United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois
United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana
United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana
United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri
United States District Court for the District of Nebraska
United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York
United States District Court for the Southern District of New York
United States District Court for the District of North Dakota
United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee
United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee

United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas
United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
United States District Court for the Western District of Texas
United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin
United States Court of International Trade
United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces
United States Tax Court