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Kathryn (“Katie”) Ender is a Florida Bar Board Certified Specialist in Appellate Litigation. Katie co-chairs Dinsmore's national Appellate and Legal Issues practice, and chairs Florida's appellate group. With 17 years of litigation and appellate experience, Katie provides skilled representation and legal counsel to clients from pre-suit demand through trial, and to conclusion of any appeal. Katie's primary areas of practice include insurance coverage, contract law, construction disputes, premises liability negligence, professional negligence, and attorneys' fee disputes.

Katie has significant experience handling complex civil appeals, and has handled over 350 appeals, argued over 50 oral arguments, and obtained over 75 written decisions in Florida's state and federal courts. At the trial level, Katie routinely acts as embedded litigation support counsel, offering strategic support to trial counsel, and handling all legal issues, dispositive motions, jury instructions, and pre- and post-trial motion practice.

As a former member and Vice-Chair of the Florida Bar Standing Committee on Civil Rules, Katie has a multilayered knowledge of Florida's rules of procedure, and uses this to her advantage throughout her practice. Katie has also authored chapters for Florida's Civil Practice Before Trial secondary source (14th edition), and is a frequent presenter on preservation of error, appellate procedure, and issues involving attorneys' fees.

Katie received her law degree from the American University Washington College of Law and, post-graduation, served as a law clerk for the Honorable Vance E. Salter at the Third District Court of Appeal.

Services

- Appellate | Legal Issues
- Litigation
- Construction Industry

Education

- American University Washington College of Law (J.D., 2007)
- The Ohio State University (B.A., 2003)

Bar Admissions

- Florida

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida

Affiliations/Memberships

- Dade County Bar Association
- Florida Association for Women Lawyers, Miami-Dade Chapter
- Miami-Dade Bar Association
- Broward County Bar Association
- Florida Supreme Court Historical Society
- Florida Bar Standing Committee on Civil Rules (Vice-Chair, 2021-22; Appointed Member 2016-2022)

Distinctions

- Florida *Super Lawyers*® (2017-2018)
- Recipient, Golden Gavel, Outstanding Litigation Performance awarded by Westfield Insurance Co., June 2016