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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 1985 - present:** I am an experienced litigator who is now working exclusively as a writer. I am the author of four books including "Lender Force-Placed Insurance Practices" and "Litigation and Prevention of Insurer Bad Faith, 3d." I am currently writing a book about presumptions of public access to court proceedings
- 1978 - 1985:** Associate and Partner, Rumberger Kirk and Caldwell P.A., Orlando, Florida; and Law Offices of Robert Austin, P.A., Orlando, Florida. Civil Trial and Appellate Attorney
- 1977 - 1978:** Researcher and Assistant Attorney General, Florida Attorney General's Office

## **EDUCATION**

- University of Notre Dame  
B.S., Psychology, Cum Laude, 1973
- University of Florida School of Law  
J.D., With Honors, 1977
- Title Standards Editor, University of Florida Law Review, 1976-1977
- Student Note Selected for Publication (published 1977)
- Emmanuel College, Cambridge University, England  
Advanced Research in Tort and Contract Law, 1981
- Harvard University Program of Instruction for  
Lawyers, 1982

## **REPRESENTATIVE PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS**

American Law Institute (elected 2009)

Members Consultative Group, "Principles of the Law of Government Ethics," September 2019 - present

Members Consultative Group, "Restatement Third, The Law of Consumer Contracts," 2011 - present

Member Consultative Group, "Restatement, The Law of Liability Insurance," 2009-2019 (project completion)

National Association of Consumer Advocates, 2017 - present

A, v rating in Martindale-Hubbell

The Best Lawyers in America 2020

Super Lawyers 2020

The Best Lawyers in America, Orlando Magazine, 2020

U.S. News and World Report Top Tier 1 Law Firm, 2019

American Bar Association, 1978 - present

Antitrust Law Section,  
Consumer Protection Law Committee, 2015 - 2020

Business Law Section, 2015 - 2019

Litigation Section, 1995-2009, 2020 -

Tort, Trial, and Insurance Practice Section, 1978 - present

Business Litigation Committee, 2015 - present

Florida Bar, 1978 - present

Appellate Court Rules Committee, approx. 1984-1994

Consumer Protection Law Committee, 2016 - present

Business Law Section, 2015 - 2019

"Protect Florida Democracy" Project, February 2018 - May 2018  
(project completion)

Public Interest Law Section, 2016 - present

18A Grievance Committee, 2010-2013

Orange County (Florida) Bar Association, 1978 - present

Founder and past-Chair, Insurance Law Committee

Professionalism Committee, 2005 - 2018

Library Committee (Member until Orange County Bar Association library  
no longer extant)

Claims and Issues Blog, at <https://claimsissues.typepad.com/>.

Formerly known as "Insurance Claims and Issues," this blog recorded the most visits by the American Bar Association of any Blog (or as the ABA would have it, "Blawg") in the category of Insurance on the ABA Website's "Blawgs List"

Second most number of visits recorded by the ABA of any Blog or "Blawg" on Insurance on the ABA Website, previously recorded for my Claims and Bad Faith Law Blog, formerly known as "Insurance Claims and Bad Faith Law Blog": <https://insuranceclaimsbadfaith.typepad.com/>

## **EXPERT WITNESS**

Expert witness and litigator in insurance bad faith and insurance coverage cases for 30 years featuring a broad range of human activities:

- Retained both by policyholders and by insurance companies in many Florida cases and in cases outside of Florida
- Cases in which my expert services have been retained have included explaining insurance bad faith to juries and judges in cases of first impression in Alaska, California, and Washington, D.C.
- Testified in Chicago, Los Angeles, Portland, Oregon, and Washington, D.C. as well as in many cases in Florida

#### **SELECTED SEMINARS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- Presenter "Injury in Fact': What Happens to Statutory Remedies," at the Fifth Annual American Constitution Society Constitutional Law Scholars Forum, Barry Law School, Orlando, Florida (February 28, 2020)
- Presenter "How Consumers Can Protect Themselves," to numerous groups in March, April, and May, 2019
- Presenter "Public Access to Court Files" at the Fourth Annual American Constitution Society Constitutional Law Scholars Forum, Barry Law School, Orlando, Florida, March 1, 2019
- Presenter "Force-Placed Insurance Litigation," Webinar, Florida Bar Public Interest Law Section, Consumer and Tenant Committee, September 25, 2018
- Presenter "Protect Florida Democracy" presentation project of the Florida Bar, to numerous groups including the League of Women Voters - Seminole County (Florida), Maitland (Florida) Library, Rotary, and Kiwanis, from February 15, 2018 through May 3, 2018
- Presenter "Social Security Old Age Insurance: Is There a Constitutional Right?" at the Third Annual American Constitution Society Constitutional Law Scholars Forum, Barry Law School, Orlando, Florida, March 2, 2018

Numerous Seminars and Webinars:

West Legal Education Center; ALI-ABA; ABA; American Conference Institute; DRI; Orange County Bar Association, Clearwater Bar Association and other Voluntary Bar Association Seminars; Barry Law School and Florida A&M (FAMU) professionalism presentations, and many Client Seminars on numerous topics, 1978-present

#### **REPRESENTATIVE PUBLICATIONS**

##### ***Books:***

Dennis J. Wall, LITIGATION AND PREVENTION OF INSURER BAD FAITH (Shepard's/McGraw-Hill, First Edition 1985, 536 pages; Second Edition 1994, 707 pages; West Publishing Co. Third Edition 2011 in Two Volumes, in print and Online. Analyzing more than 5,000 cases, statutes, regulations, texts, and periodicals in 1,383 pages and 368 sections, and in addition 757 pages of text and 69 pages of Tables and Index, in Two Volumes of 2020 Supplements; updated annually)

Dennis J. Wall, INSURANCE CLAIMS AND ISSUES (Thomson Reuters 2016)

Dennis J. Wall, LENDER FORCE-PLACED INSURANCE PRACTICES (American Bar Association Publishing, 2015)

Co-Author, John K. DiMugno, Steven Plitt & Dennis J. Wall, CATASTROPHE CLAIMS: INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR NATURAL AND MAN-MADE DISASTERS (West Publishing Company May 2020; updated semiannually)

***Representative Articles:***

Dennis J. Wall, "*Injury in Fact*" Standing for Statutory Actions Against Insurance Companies, NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE: CURRENT CRITICAL ISSUES IN INSURANCE LAW (LexisNexis, forthcoming Fall 2020)

Dennis J. Wall, *Remedies*, in *Recent Developments in Business Litigation*, 55 TORT TRIAL & INS. PRAC. L.J. 193, 213 (American Bar Association Spring 2020)

Dennis J. Wall, *Conflicts Requiring Liability Carriers to Provide Independent Defense Counsel to Insureds*, NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE: CURRENT CRITICAL ISSUES IN INSURANCE LAW 1 (LexisNexis, Spring 2020)

Dennis J. Wall, *City of Debtors: A Century of Fringe Finance*, 93 Fla. B.J. 56 (November/December 2019) (book review).

Dennis J. Wall, *Insurer's Direct Liability For a Bad Defense*, NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE: CURRENT CRITICAL ISSUES IN INSURANCE LAW 33 (LexisNexis, Fall 2019)

Dennis J. Wall, *A Brief Update to: Filed Insurance Rates Do Not Belong to the Federal Government. They Belong to the States*, NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE: CURRENT CRITICAL ISSUES IN INSURANCE LAW 25 (LexisNexis, Summer 2019)

Dennis J. Wall, *Overcoming the Presumption of Public Access to Court Files in Business Litigation*, AMERICAN BAR TTIPS BUSINESS LITIGATION COMMITTEE (Spring 2019 Newsletter, Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section, American Bar Association)

Dennis J. Wall, "*Fortuitous*": *Judges and Lawyers Deliberately Reinvent Insurance Coverage*, NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE: CURRENT CRITICAL ISSUES IN INSURANCE LAW 31 (LexisNexis, Summer 2018)

Dennis J. Wall, *The Risks of All Risks Insurance Coverage Interpretation*, NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE: CURRENT CRITICAL ISSUES IN INSURANCE LAW 15 (LexisNexis, Spring 2018)

Dennis J. Wall, *Section 24 of the Law of Liability Insurance Restatement*, 39 INSURANCE LITIGATION REPORTER 473 (Oct. 5, 2017)

Dennis J. Wall, *Social Security Old-Age Insurance: Is There a Constitutional Right?*, 39 INSURANCE LITIGATION REPORTER 245 (May 28, 2017)

Dennis J. Wall, *Attorneys Decide, Judges Sign Off: Protecting and Sealing Concealed Evidence Including in Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith Cases*, NEW APPLEMAN ON INSURANCE: CURRENT CRITICAL ISSUES IN INSURANCE LAW 1 (Spring 2017)

Dennis J. Wall, *Secret Evidence and Sealed Court Files: Illustrated in Insurance Cases Opened to the Sunshine*, 39 INSURANCE LITIGATION REPORTER 5 (February 3, 2017)

Dennis J. Wall, *The Lender's Risk of Not Being Repaid*, 5 FLORIDA PUBLIC INTEREST JOURNAL 4 (May 2016)

Dennis J. Wall, *Class Action Settlements Have Consequences / From Florida to the State of Washington*, 69 NWLAWYER 27 (April/May 2015) reprinted in an updated version in September, 2015 by the Orange County (Florida) Bar Association, *The Briefs*

***Other Representative Publications:***

Brief of Amicus Curiae United Policyholders, in support of Richard L. Fowler, et al., in *Richard L. Fowler v. Caliber Home Loans, Inc.* (11th Circuit Court of Appeals, filed February 17, 2017)

YouTube

Videos: [\*The Florida Constitution: A Presentation of the Bundled Amendments on the Florida Ballot \(October 2018\)\*](#)

[\*Lender Force-Placed Insurance Litigation and the Filed Rate Doctrine \(October 2018\)\*](#)

[\*Lender Force-Placed Insurance Practices / A Story of Actions \(2015\)\*](#)

Podcast: "Thomson Reuters Key Author Dennis Wall Reads Book Excerpt on Lender Force-Placed Insurance Practices," West Legal Education Center Podcast, posted online August 13, 2015 (available among many other

places, at <http://www.legalcurrent.com/thomson-reuters-key-author-dennis-wall-reads-book-excerpt-on-lender-force-placed-insurance-practices/>)

Seminar Handbooks: Numerous ALI-ABA, American Bar Association,  
and other Webinars, Seminars, Podcasts, and YouTube Videos

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