



## Ronald Pena

### Partner

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Mr. Pena's business practice includes matters in the area of civil and commercial litigation, with an emphasis in commercial litigation as well as the defense of transportation companies. Mr. Pena has over 20 years of experience representing his clients in both state and federal court, including matters of business practices, partnership disputes, financial disputes, and issues arising out of the formation, organization and structuring of business entities such as limited liability companies, corporations, partnerships and joint ventures.

### Professional Background

Mr. Pena is a founding Managing Partner of Pena Garcia & Diz. Previously he was an Equity Partner in the Miami office of Hinshaw & Culbertson, where he represented corporate clients in matters involving civil and commercial litigation, and participation in various forms of alternative dispute resolutions.

In 2010 Mr. Pena was named as one of *Florida Trend* magazine's "Florida Legal Elite" in the area of civil trial law. Florida Legal Elite is composed of the top 1.8 percent of all Florida lawyers.

Mr. Pena is a former adjunct professor at Florida International University where he taught courses at the School of Policy and Management. He served as the 2007, 2008 President of the Dade County Defense Bar Association and is a former member of the Association's Steering Committee. ("DCDBA").

Mr. Pena's professional memberships also include the Dade County Bar Association, American Bar Association, the Cuban American Bar Association and the Federalist Society. He is an active member of the Lawyers Professionalism and Ethics Committee of the Defense Research Institute. ("DRI").

Mr. Pena holds the AV® Peer Review Rating from Martindale Hubbell, its highest rating for ethics and legal ability.

### Community Service Activities

Mr. Pena is a founding board member of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Historical Society. He is also a member of the "Put Something Back Pro Bono Project", a joint program by the Dade County Bar Association and the Eleventh Judicial Circuit to provide free legal services in Miami-Dade County.

### Service Areas

Commercial Litigation  
General Liability Litigation

### Education

J.D. Nova Southeastern  
University School of Law, 1997

B.S. Florida International  
University, 1993

### Bar Admissions

Florida (1998)

U.S. District Court for the Middle  
District of Florida (2000)

U.S. District Court for the  
Southern District of Florida  
Southern (1999)

U.S. Court of Appeals for the  
Eleventh Circuit (2005)

### Languages

English  
Spanish

## Professional Affiliations

Dade County Defense Bar Association

- Former Board of Trustees Member
- Past President and Vice President

American Bar Association

Cuban American Bar Association

Federalist Society

Dade County Eleventh Judicial Circuit Historical Society

Defense Research Institute, Lawyers Professionalism and Ethics Committee Member

## Honors and Awards

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