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R.H. Farnell II graduated magna cum laude from the University of Georgia in 1980. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa at Georgia. He received his M.B.A. from the University of North Florida in 1984. He worked for a Jacksonville-based commercial real estate developer for nine years before starting law school in 1992. He received a J.D., with high honors, from the University of Florida in 1994, and was honored by the Florida First District Court of Appeal for receiving the highest score on the Florida bar examination. In 2013 and again in 2017, Best Lawyers named Mr. Farnell Jacksonville's Real Estate Litigation Lawyer of the Year, and in 2015 Best Lawyers named him Jacksonville's Personal Injury Litigation-Defendants Lawyer of the Year. He is listed in Best Lawyers in America in the practice areas of Commercial Litigation, Legal Malpractice Law-Defendants, Litigation-Real Estate, and Personal Injury Litigation-Defendants.



AREA OF PRACTICE

- Personal Injury/Wrongful Death
- Insurance Coverage
- Complex Commercial Litigation
- Legal Malpractice Defense
- Real Estate Litigation

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Florida, 1994
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit

HONORS & AWARDS

- Highest Score on the Florida Bar Examination, Honored by the Florida First District Court of Appeal
- Florida Super Lawyers (Jacksonville Top 25: 2019 | Business Litigation, Personal Injury Defense, and Professional Liability Defense: 2009-Present)
- The Best Lawyers in America (Commercial Litigation, Legal Malpractice Defense, Real Estate Litigation, and Personal Injury Defense)
- The Best Lawyers in America — Jacksonville Real Estate Litigation Lawyer of the Year (2013, 2017)
- The Best Lawyers in America – Jacksonville Personal Injury Litigation-Defendants Lawyer of the Year (2016)
- The Best Lawyers in America - Jacksonville Legal Malpractice Law - Defendants Lawyer of the Year (2021)
- Martindale-Hubbell AV
- Florida Legal Elite

EDUCATION

- University of Florida College of Law, Gainesville, Florida, 1994 J.D. (With High Honors)
- University of North Florida, 1984 M.B.A.
- University of Georgia, 1980 (Magna Cum Laude)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

- The Florida Bar, Member

PUBLISHED WORK

- Article, Public Policy Implications of the Settlement of the Multi-Party Lawsuits