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### **Areas of Practice**

Commercial and Securities Litigation

### **Experience**

Joe Galardi has handled a variety of complex commercial litigation matters, including class actions, for plaintiffs and defendants in state and federal courts, as well as in various commercial and securities arbitration forums. Joe has significant experience in a broad range of disputes, including breach of contract, trade secret claims, partnership breakups, trust and estates, and defense of malpractice claims against a large international law firm.

Joe has successfully tried both jury and bench trials, and on appeal, in state and federal courts. Prior to joining Beasley Hauser in 2005, Joe worked for a large, nationally-recognized South Florida law firm, and served as a judicial intern for the Honorable Kenneth L. Ryskamp, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida.

### **Awards & Recognition**

- “AV” rated by Martindale-Hubbe (highest rating for ethical standards and legal ability).
- Named a “Top Up and Comer” attorney in the South Florida Legal Guide, which recognizes the outstanding young attorneys in Palm Beach, Broward and Miami-Dade counties.
- Selected a “Florida Rising Star” in Florida Super Lawyers Law & Politics magazine, which recognizes not more than 2.5% of the young attorneys practicing in Florida.

### **Education**

George Washington University Law School, J.D., with honors, 1999  
Moot Court Board; ABA Public Contract Law Journal, Articles Editor  
Pennsylvania State University, B.S., 1994

## **Bar and Court Admissions**

Florida Bar, 1999

U.S. Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit, 2001

U.S. District Court, Southern Dist. of Fla., 2000

U.S. District Court, Northern Dist. of Fla., 2000

U.S. District Court, Middle Dist. of Fla., 2002

## **Professional Associations and Membership**

American Bar Association, Litigation section (1999 - present)

The Florida Bar, Litigation and Trial Lawyers sections

Palm Beach County Bar Association Member (1999 - present)

Judicial Relations Committee, (2004–present), past subcommittee Chair

Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers

## **Prior Employment and Work Experience**

Steel Hector & Davis, LLP (now known as Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P.), West Palm Beach, Florida, 2002 - 2005

Jones, Foster, Johnston & Stubbs, P.A., West Palm Beach, Florida, 1999 - 2002

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, West Palm Beach, Florida, Intern for the Honorable Kenneth L. Ryskamp, 1997