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Amy Wessel Jones is a Partner in the Fort Lauderdale office of Shutts & Bowen LLP, where she is a member of the Appellate Practice Group.

Amy is board certified in Appellate Practice by the Florida Bar. She represents clients in a wide range of appellate and litigation matters involving contract disputes, business torts, and employment litigation. She also provides pre-trial and trial support to litigators, assisting in the development of legal arguments and ensuring that all steps necessary to preserve issues for appellate review are taken. Amy is also a regular contributor to the *Florida Appellate Law Blog*, where she writes on issues of appellate practice and procedure.

Prior to joining the firm, Amy served as a judicial law clerk for the Honorable Jay P. Cohen at the Florida Fifth District Court of Appeal. During her appellate clerkship, Amy gained invaluable insight into the preservation of error at trial as well as effective appellate advocacy techniques. Prior to clerking, Amy completed a post-graduate fellowship with the Honorable Robin S. Rosenbaum at the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida. During law school, Amy served as a Managing Editor of the *Florida Law Review*. She was also the recipient of the UF Law Pro Bono Certificate of Excellence in recognition of her commitment to public service through pro bono work.

Practice Areas

Appellate

Litigation

Accolades

- *Florida Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, Appellate, 2019 - 2024
- *Fort Lauderdale Illustrated*, "Top Lawyer," 2020, 2022

Education

- University of Florida Levin College of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2011
- University of Florida, B.A., *cum laude*, Political Science, 2006
 - Phi Beta Kappa

Bar Admissions

Florida

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Court

Professional and Civic

- Florida Bar Appellate Practice Section
 - Pro Bono Committee
- Broward County Bar Association
 - Young Lawyers Section
 - Appellate Practice Section
- Leadership Broward, Class XXXVIII
- Pace Center for Girls - Broward
 - Partners for Pace, Member
 - Pace Center's Annual Girls Just Wanna Have Fun Brunch Fundraiser, Co-Chair (2018, 2019 and 2020)
- Ghost Light Society

Presentations

- Presenter, "Attorney's Fees and Costs: Challenging and Preserving Trial Court Awards and Seeking Fees and Costs on Appeal," part of "Advanced Appellate Practice" Continuing Legal Education

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course by Pincus Professional Education, April 2022

- Presenter, "Nuts and Bolts of Appellate Practice," Continuing Legal Education course for Florida Legal Services, Inc. and Legal Aid organizations statewide, February 2021
- Co-Presenter, "Winning Your Appeal at Trial: Contemporaneous Objections," Florida Bar Winter Meeting, January 2021
- Presenter, "Appellate Practice 101", Continuing Legal Education course for Legal Aid Service of Broward County and Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida, February 2020
- Co-Presenter, "Preservation of Error and Avoiding Trial Mistakes," Broward County Bar Association Appellate Practice Section CLE, February 2018

Publications

- *Appellate Practice Section Update: Fourth District Court of Appeal at the 2017 Bench & Bar Convention*, Broward County Bar Association Barrister (December 2017)
- Co-editor, Appellate Law Blog