

Darrell C. Smith

PARTNER



Darrell focuses his practice on representing middle-market business entities, privately held growing businesses, and public companies. He regularly represents clients in mergers and acquisitions, financing transactions, contract negotiations, strategic planning, legal compliance, and general corporate matters.

With extensive experience in securities matters, Darrell advises clients with regard to their private and public offerings of securities, including initial public offerings and going private transaction, and their ongoing disclosure obligations. He has a national practice with experience in international transactions as well. In addition to representing businesses, Darrell also:

- Provides services to venture capital and equity capital interests and other financing sources
- Represents clients in international transactions
- Represents boards of directors and special committees of the board
- Represents companies in internal and external investigations

Darrell spends his free time enjoying his family and is a devoted football and hockey fan, particularly of the Tampa Bay Lightning.

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

SERVICE LINE

Corporate, Tax and
Transactions
Merger, Acquisitions, &
Divestitures

INDUSTRY SECTOR

Health Care
Hospitality, Leisure, & Sports
Manufacturing
Real Estate, Construction, &
Development
Retail & Consumer
Technology

PRIMARY LOCATION

Tampa, FL

Florida, 1982

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- The Florida Bar
- Tampa's Lowry Park Zoo, former Board of Directors
- Tampa Preparatory School, former Board of Directors
- Tampa Bay Partnership, former Board of Directors

HONORS

- AV[®] Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- Florida Super Lawyer by *Super Lawyers* magazine
- Best Lawyers, "Tampa Securities Regulation Lawyer of the Year," 2017, 2023; "Tampa Banking and Finance Law Lawyer of the Year," 2020
- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2008-2025
- *Chambers USA*, Corporate/M&A & Private Equity (Florida), 2010-2025
- Recognized in Legal Elite by *Florida Trend* magazine
- Recognized in *Tampa Bay Business Journal* Top Lawyer
- Florida Super Lawyer by *Super Lawyers* magazine
- Key Executive profile in the *Tampa Business Journal*
- *Tampa Bay Business Journal* Blue Chip Awards and the Ultimate CEO Awards, Judge
- *Tampa Bay's Best Lawyers*
- Who's Who Florida, the official research partner of the International Bar Association
- Recognized in *Finance Monthly Magazine's* Law Awards for Achievement
- Recognized as a Leading Lawyer by *Intercontinental Finance Magazine*

EDUCATION

J.D., Capital University, 1981

B.A., Grove City College, 1976