# <u>Shumaker</u>

# Christopher A. Staine

PARTNER, REAL ESTATE, CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT INDUSTRY SECTOR CO-CHAIR



As a board certified construction lawyer, Christopher has successfully represented clients in all stages of litigation in both state and federal courts throughout Florida, in addition to private and commercial arbitration proceedings. He devotes a significant portion of his practice to construction litigation and counseling, trust and probate litigation, and guardianship matters.

Christopher's practice also focuses on residential and commercial real estate matters of all types, from real estate transactions to working through developmental and construction-related issues. He represents companies, partnerships, and individuals involved in all aspects of the construction process, including:

- Owners and developers
- General and marine contractors
- Subcontractors
- Suppliers/materialmen
- Surety companies
- Construction lenders

Christopher is a frequent speaker on various legal issues and legislative initiatives impacting the construction industry, notably issues such as the Florida Construction Lien Law, green building, and construction licensing.

# **SERVICE LINE**

Early Dispute Resolution Environmental and Energy Litigation & Disputes Real Estate and Development

# **INDUSTRY SECTOR**

Financial Institutions & Insurance Health Care Hospitality, Leisure, & Sports Manufacturing Real Estate, Construction, & Development

# **PRIMARY LOCATION**

Outside the courtroom, Christopher enjoys the Florida lifestyle, including fishing and spending time outdoors. He also likes to fill his time reading and voraciously consuming podcasts.

#### **BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS**

Florida, 2002

United States District Court, Middle District of, Florida, 2002

United States District Court, Southern District of, Florida, 2012

United States Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit, 2015

#### **PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS**

- The Players Theatre, Board of Trustees
- Gulf Coast Builders Exchange (GCBX), Member
- Association of Builders and Contractors (ABC), Member

#### **HONORS**

- SRQ Magazine: Elite Top Attorneys, Construction, 2021 2022
- Florida Rising Star by *Super Lawyers* magazine, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

Sarasota, FL

### **EDUCATION**

J.D., *cum laude*, Michigan State University, 2002

B.A., Texas Christian University, 1997

