



Anthony R. McClure

partner

Tony represents clients in a variety of disputes in state and federal courts and is a member of the firm's Construction, Business Competition, Products Liability and Appellate Practice. He also serves as a co-chair of the firm's Probate, Trust and Guardianship Litigation Practice.

He has experience in matters including construction, probate, product liability, complex commercial litigation, intellectual property, contractual and mortgage disputes, legal malpractice, insurance defense matters and environmental litigation.

Tony has successfully tried cases and assisted in trials and hearings in multiple courts in Florida and Ohio. He has argued before several Ohio courts of appeal, the Ohio Supreme Court and the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

Before joining Porter Wright, Tony served a judicial clerkship with the Honorable Joan B. Gottschall, United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, 2001-2002.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Probate and Guardianship Litigation

- Represented beneficiaries, co-executor and co-trustees in probate dispute involving control of closely held business in Florida and Ohio
- Successfully defended appeal of trial court's grant of trust termination before the Florida Second District Court of Appeals

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EDUCATION

Chicago-Kent College of Law, J.D.,
2001

Miami University, B.S., 1995

SERVICES

Construction

Litigation

- Commercial litigation
- Product liability
- Probate, trust and guardianship litigation
- Appellate and Supreme Court practice
- Environmental litigation
- Intellectual property litigation
- Health Care litigation
- Non-competition and trade secrets litigation
- Financial services litigation

Real Estate

- Foreclosures, receiverships and workouts
- Real estate litigation

- Successfully defended against claims from out-of-state attorneys attempting to represent Florida client who was recently declared the subject of a guardianship
- Achieved favorable result in defending claims of breach of fiduciary duty against trustee of multi-million dollar Florida trust
- Achieved favorable result representing beneficiaries pursuing claims including breach of an agreement to make a will
- Achieved favorable results in numerous Florida cases involving claims of undue influence and lack of testamentary capacity

Business Litigation

- Achieved favorable result in pursuing liquidated damages claim on behalf of Florida technology company against out-of-state vendor
- Obtained voluntary dismissal of claims of violations of the Fair Credit Reporting Act in the U.S. District for the Middle District of Florida on behalf of a large financial institution
- Obtained favorable result on behalf of Florida moving company in dispute over alleged fraudulent invoices
- Obtained summary judgment and a favorable settlement on behalf of an Ohio restaurant company in a contract dispute
- Obtained dismissal on behalf of an Ohio siding manufacturer in a contract dispute

Product Liability

- Achieved favorable result on behalf of national manufacturer on a claim for defective grill in Florida
- Achieved favorable result on behalf of national manufacturer on a claim for defective trailer in Florida
- Assisted in obtaining summary judgment in favor of a national chain of automobile repair centers
- Assisted in obtaining a defense verdict in favor of a national manufacturer of off-road vehicles after a three-week jury trial

Real Estate/Zoning

- Achieved reversal of two trial court decisions on behalf of a homeowner relating to an easement dispute before the Florida Second District Court of Appeals
- Achieved favorable result in defending claims of breach of real estate contract in Florida
- Successfully argued before an Ohio Court of Appeals in defense of summary judgment obtained on behalf of a utility company in a dispute involving the location of power lines near private property
- Successfully defended the dismissal of an administrative appeal before an Ohio County Court of Appeals on behalf of a not-for-profit organization in a dispute relating to the construction of low-income retirement housing

SERVICES (CONTINUED)

Business Competition, Advice & Litigation

International Business & Trade

- Cross-border litigation and arbitration

Tax, Estate Planning & Personal Wealth

- Probate, trust and guardianship litigation

Financial Institutions

- Financial services litigation

Wireless & Telecommunications

LGBTQ+ Business

- Obtained dismissal of an administrative appeal on behalf of a large retailer, and successfully defended the ruling before an Ohio Court of Appeals
- On behalf of a local home builder, successfully defended the dismissal of a mandamus action brought by an Ohio township relating to annexation proceedings before an Ohio Court of Appeals

Environmental

- Obtained defense verdict on behalf of a wastewater treatment plant operator following a six-day bench trial in a case involving civil enforcement claims by the Ohio EPA

Professional Liability

- Successfully argued before the Ohio Supreme Court in a case involving standing of third parties to sue for legal malpractice
- Obtained summary judgment in favor of a law firm in a legal malpractice case involving the firm's representation of a client in a slip-and-fall case

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Florida
- Ohio
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Florida
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Florida

PRESENTATIONS

- "Life Fails of the Rich and Famous," Porter Wright, Oct. 16, 2025
- "Succession Planning for Families and Businesses," Porter Wright, Sept. 21, 2023
- "*I Care A Lot* vs Real Life," Porter Wright, Sept. 15, 2022
- "*Knives Out!* Versus Real Life," Probate & Trust Litigation Seminar, Porter Wright, Nov. 10, 2020
- "Look Before You Leap! Planning for the Client at the Cliff of Capacity," Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants Fall Conference, Oct. 29, 2020
- "Construction Law Forum," Porter Wright, March 5, 2020
- "Why Businesses Should Care About Wills and Trusts," Porter Wright Annual Ethics & Trends in Litigation Seminar, Dec. 5, 2009
- "Building Better Boards," Get Involved Collier! Volunteer Expo, Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, Oct. 21, 2019
- Probate & Trust Litigation Seminar, Porter Wright, Oct. 10, 2019
- "Websites, Apps and the ADA: How Does Accessibility Apply in Your Digital Workplace?" Porter Wright Employment Relations Seminar, May 15, 2019
- "ADA: Are You in Compliance?" Naples Area Board of Realtors, April 11, 2019
- "Construction Law Forum," Porter Wright, March 20, 2019
- "Change in Ohio Law Regarding Reporting of Elder Abuse," Community Bankers Association of Ohio, March 5, 2019

- “ADA Workshop: How to Ensure Your Company is ADA Compliant,” Commercial Connections, Naples Area Board of REALTORS, Oct. 17, 2018
- “ADA: Are you in Compliance?” Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association, Sept. 18, 2018
- “ADA Workshop: How to Ensure Your Company is ADA Compliant,” The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, July 25, 2018
- “Construction Law Seminar: Building Out Your Litigation Avoidance Plan,” Porter Wright, June 28, 2018
- “Look Before You Leap! Planning at Cliff of Capacity,” The National Association of Personal Financial Advisors, Oct. 19, 2017

PUBLICATIONS

- “Controversy Continues over States’ Late-Ballot Law,” *American Bar Association Litigation News*, Spring 2025
- “Charity Spotlight: Naples Therapeutic Riding Center,” *Adverse Witness*, Collier County Bar Association, February 2021
- “Prevailing employee not entitled to recoup union dues,” *American Bar Association Litigation News*, April 24, 2020
- “Comity not enough to save Chinese banks from contempt order,” *American Bar Association Litigation News*, Jan. 30, 2020
- “Court orders clarification of arbitration,” *American Bar Association Litigation News*, Nov. 11, 2019
- “Companies, beware: emails are forever,” *ABA GPSolo eReport*, Sept. 19, 2019
- “Companies, beware: emails are forever,” *American Bar Association Litigation News*, Summer 2019
- “Websites may be places of public accommodation subject to the ADA,” *American Bar Association Litigation News*, Winter 2019
- “Circuit court chooses sides in circuit split over attorney fees,” *American Bar Association Litigation News*, Winter 2019
- “Do ‘costs’ equal ‘fees’ under Rule 41(d)? It depends on the court,” *American Bar Association Litigation News*, Nov. 13, 2018
- “There’s no place like home—to establish personal jurisdiction,” *American Bar Association Litigation News*, Sept. 1, 2018
- “Ninth Circuit splits from others in tolling deadline for class action appeals,” *American Bar Association Litigation News*, Winter 2018
- “The focus of the Americans with Disabilities Act turns to websites: Is your site compliant?” *The Forum*, Collier County Medical Society, September/October 2017

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Real Property, Probate & Trust, Section of the Florida Bar, At-Large Member
- American Bar Association, Section of Litigation: *Litigation News*, Editor-in-Chief, 2024-2026; Executive Editor, 2022-2024; Associate Editor, 2008-2022
- The Florida Bar, 20th Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee “B,” Chair, 2022; Member, 2019-2022
- Collier County Bar Association

HONORS | AWARDS

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®
- *Naples Illustrated*, Top Lawyers, Business Litigation, Product Liability Litigation
- Ohio Super Lawyers, Rising Stars Edition

- Southwest Florida Court Bar Association, Extraordinary Pro Bono Service Award, 2016

COMMUNITY

- STARability Foundation of Naples, Director, present
- Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, Public Policy Committee, 2017-2022
- Naples Therapeutic Riding Center, President of Board of Directors, 2018-2021; Vice President, 2017-2018; Board Member, 2015-2020
- Leadership Collier, Class of 2015