# JONES FOSTER

# Brett T. Lashley

# Associate

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## Location

505 South Flagler Drive Suite 1100 West Palm Beach Florida 33401

### Education

J.D., University of Florida Levin College of Law

B.A., Florida Atlantic University

## Admissions

The Florida Bar U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida



Brett Lashley is a member of Jones Foster's **Complex Litigation & Dispute Resolution** team. He focuses his practice in the areas of general commercial litigation with an emphasis on employment, real estate, and local municipal law. Brett represents individuals and businesses in matters involving trade secrets, the enforcement of non-compete agreements, specific performance involving real property and deposit disputes, land-lord tenant disputes, and commercial contract litigation. Brett provides counsel to the Town of Lake Park, the Town of Jupiter, and the Town of Palm Beach and advises the municipalities with respect to code enforcement hearings, planning and zoning and Town commission meetings.

Brett is an active member of the Palm Beach County Bar Association's Civil Practice Committee and Young Lawyers Section and a graduate of the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches' Leadership West Palm Beach program. He earned his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Florida Levin College of Law where he was the Vice-Chair of The Florida Moot Court Team and was awarded Best Brief in the Appellate Lawyers Association competition in Chicago. He also held the position of Vice President of the Entertainment and Sports Law Society, was a member of the Journal of Technology Law and Policy, and provided pro bono legal services to veterans as a member of the Veterans and Service Members Legal Clinic.

While at the University of Florida, Brett gained valuable experience as a teaching assistant for Legal Writing and Appellate Advocacy, as a judicial intern for the Honorable Mark W. Klingensmith, Fourth District Court of Appeal, West Palm Beach, and as a **Summer Associate** at Jones Foster.

## **Experience Highlights**

#### Successful Representation of Municipality in Fire Department Dispute

Obtained summary judgment for municipality in dispute with union-backed political action committee in which the PAC sought to block the creation of a municipal fire department.

# Significant Recovery for Real Property Owner in Inverse Condemnation Lawsuit

Representation of a real property owner in an inverse condemnation lawsuit for the taking of submerged land by Palm Beach County without permission or

compensation that resulted in reduced ability to develop the property. A seven-day jury trial resulted in an award of \$425,700 – a valuation approximately 27 times higher than the County's valuation of \$15,700.

## <u>Successful Representation in Residential Jointly Owned Partition</u> <u>Lawsuit</u>

Brokered successful buyout of a portion of jointly owned residential property.

#### Landlord-Tenant Representations

Successful representation of Landlords and Tenants in commercial and residential eviction lawsuit.

#### Obtained Emergency Injunction

Prevailed in obtaining an emergency injunction preventing an HOA from interfering with private property owner's access to and from property after private property owner lost only alternate access point.

# Summary Judgment in Former Employee's Commission Claim

Obtained summary judgment for employer whose former employee sought commission in perpetuity for the life of client accounts.

#### Successful Representation of Mobile Homeowner

Procured a Court order directing the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue title to a mobile home for client who did not obtain valid title at the time of purchase.

#### Dismissal of Derivative Lawsuit

Successfully obtained dismissal of a derivative lawsuit brought by 32 plaintiffs against members of the board of corporate entity.

#### Successful Enforcement of Employee Noncompete Clause

Successfully enforced noncompetition provision of two former employees for the relevant geographic market after former employees went to work for employer's competitor.

## **Honors & Distinctions**

## The Best Lawyers in America

Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation, 2025-Present Ones to Watch, Litigation - Real Estate, 2026

#### Florida Super Lawyers

Rising Star, Civil Litigation: Plaintiff, 2025 Rising Star, Civil Litigation: Defense, 2024

### Palm Beach Illustrated

Top Lawyers, Municipal Law, 2025 Top Lawyers, Business Litigation, 2024

# Affiliations

## The Florida Bar Member, Real Property Probate and Trust Law Section, 2024-Present Member, City, County & Local Government Law Section

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### Palm Beach County Bar Association

Member, Local Government and Land Use Committee, 2025-Present Member, Civil Practice Committee, 2023-2025 Member, Young Lawyers Section

Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches Graduate, Leadership West Palm Beach, Class of 2025

University of Florida Levin College of Law Member, Law Alumni Council, 2025-Present

Palm Beach County Sports Commission Member, Hall of Fame Committee, 2023-2024

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