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Theodore Kypreos, the firm's Vice Chair and **Trust & Estate Litigation** Practice Group Co-Chair, is an experienced trial and appellate attorney who focuses his practice in the areas of probate and trust litigation, trust and estate administration, guardianship law, and fiduciary litigation.

He represents corporate and individual fiduciaries, beneficiaries, and heirs in all probate, trust, and guardianship settings including will and trust contests, breach of trust actions, trustee removal and accounting actions, will and trust reformation and modification proceedings, contested guardianships, elective share proceedings, Florida homestead disputes, exploitation and tortious interference litigation, and matters relating to probate creditors' claims.

Theo is a Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC) and a Past-President of the Palm Beach County Bar Association and its Young Lawyers Section. He is a frequent lecturer for both the PBCBA and The Florida Bar on topics related to probate, trust and guardianship law. Theo is consistently recognized by peer and industry publications, including *The Best Lawyers in America* and *Florida Super Lawyers*, and holds an AV Preeminent® Rating from *Martindale-Hubbell*, the highest peer rating based upon legal ability and ethical standards. Notably, he was named **2023 Lawyer of the Year** for Litigation - Trusts & Estates in the West Palm Beach metro area by ***The Best Lawyers in America***, and has been ranked on the *Florida Super Lawyers* Top 100: Miami list since 2023 and Top 100: Florida list since 2025.

Experience Highlights

Invalidated Purported Last Will and Testament Due to Undue Influence
Representation of testator's children at trial and in appellate proceedings, whereby the purported last will and testament was successfully invalidated on grounds of testator's incapacity and undue influence exerted by testator's surviving spouse.

Corporately Held Real Estate Ownership Dispute
Representation of successor trustee in appellate proceedings before the Fourth District Court of Appeal and the Florida Supreme Court in trust litigation concerning the ownership of $1.5 million of corporately held real estate.

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Education

J.D., University of Florida

B.S., University of Florida

Admissions

The Florida Bar

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Breach of Trust Litigation Concerning Administration of Trust
Representation of corporate trustee in breach of trust litigation concerning the administration of trust in excess of $100 million in assets.

Interim Trustee for Trusts Totaling $30 Million in Assets
Appointed as special fiduciary to serve as interim trustee for 9 separate trusts totaling $30 million in assets.

Successful Defense Against Objections to Petition of Discharge
Successful defense of personal representative against objections to their petition for discharge, final accounting, and plan of distribution, including obtaining a judgment of fees and costs in excess of $250,000.

Will Contest Involving Ademption
Representation of guardian in a will contest involving ademption of a specific devise.

Contested Guardianship Incapacity Proceedings
Representation in numerous contested guardianship proceedings concerning issues of incapacity and the appointment of guardians.

Successful Defense of Multi-Million Creditor Claim
Successful defense of personal representative against a multi-million creditor claim.

Successful Defense of Claims of Breach of Trust and Fiduciary Duty
Successful defense of testator's daughter and attorney in fact at trial and in appellate proceedings against claims of breach of trust and breach of fiduciary duty associated with the administration of the testator's multi-million dollar revocable trust.

Successful Defense of Validity of Last Will and Testament
Representation of personal representative in successfully defending the validity of the decedent's Last Will and Testament against claims of undue influence and lack of testamentary capacity.

Honors & Distinctions

The Best Lawyers in America
Lawyer of the Year, West Palm Beach, Trusts and Estates Litigation, 2023
Trusts and Estates Litigation, 2017-Present

Florida Super Lawyers
The Top 100: Florida, 2025-Present
The Top 100: Miami, 2023-Present
Estate & Trust Litigation, 2013–Present
Rising Star, 2010-2012

Palm Beach Illustrated
Top Lawyers, Alternate Dispute Resolution, 2019-2021, 2023-2025
Top Lawyers, Trusts & Estates, 2018-2023, 2025-Present

Doyle's Guide
Leading Trusts, Estates & Probate Litigation Lawyers – Miami, 2026

Florida Trend
Legal Elite, 2017, 2018
Up and Comer, 2011-2013

Martindale-Hubbell AV® Peer Review Rated

Affiliations

American College of Trust and Estate Counsel
Fellow, 2023-Present

Florida Supreme Court
Judicial Management Council, Workgroup on Uncontested Probate Proceedings, 2024-Present

The Florida Bar
Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section (RPPTL)
- Executive Council, 2012-Present
- Chair, Probate Law and Procedure Committee, 2022-2026

Chair, Florida Probate Rules Committee, 2018
Florida Probate Rules Committee, 2007-2014, 2018-2021
Elder Law Section

Palm Beach County Bar Association
President, 2014-2015
President, Young Lawyers Section, 2009-2010

University of Florida Levin College of Law
Board of Trustees, Law Center Association, 2019-Present
President, Law Alumni Council, 2017-2018

Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches
Trustee, 2009-2021
Board of Directors, 2006-2009
Graduate, Leadership West Palm Beach, 2006