

RumbergerKirk Elects Three New Partners

RumbergerKirk has elected three new partners to the firm including Brett Carey and Samantha Duke in Orlando and Abigail Roberts in Miami.

Brett Carey

An extremely versatile attorney, Brett Carey practices in the areas of insurance coverage and bad faith, employment, and commercial litigation. He represents insurers in first and third party coverage matters, including claims involving personal and commercial lines of insurance, and claims involving extra-contractual liability and bad faith disputes. He also has extensive experience representing insurance companies and other clients in contract disputes, claims of fraud and misrepresentation and other commercial litigation.

Carey is an active member of The Florida Bar Diversity and Inclusion Committee. He also participates in RumbergerKirk's annual pipeline program known as Street Law, which introduces local high school students to topics and careers in the legal field. Carey also mentors law students in the firm's Summer Associate Program, a program he participated in before joining the firm. He graduated, magna cum laude, from Florida State University College of Law in 2011 and from the University of Florida with a bachelor's degree in Business Marketing.

Samantha Duke

Samantha Duke practices in the areas of commercial litigation and product liability. She defends clients in Florida and multi-state consumer protection class actions including false advertising and violations of state consumer protection acts, such as the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act (FDUTPA). In 2016, Duke was an integral member of a team in

securing a denial of class certification in a multi-state putative class action venued in the Northern District of California. She recently played a large role in drafting the petition to the FCC for Amerifactors Financial Group, LLC where the FCC ruled in favor of the petition that online fax services are outside the scope of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act.

Duke also represents companies in commercial litigation and product liability matters, defending manufacturers of a variety of products including automobiles, personal watercraft, motorcycles and medical devices. She graduated, magna cum laude, from the University of Florida College of Law in 2011 and graduated magna cum laude from Florida State University with a bachelor's degree in Art History.

Abigail Roberts

Abigail Roberts practices in the areas of aviation law, drone law and appeals. She represents airlines in matters involving the Warsaw and Montreal Conventions, negligence claims, security issues, as well as catastrophic injuries and wrongful death. Roberts played a large role in the successful defense of the American Airlines Flight 331 crash in Kingston, Jamaica in December 2009.

She is dedicated to serving individual, corporate and government clients in all aspects of drone law and litigation including assistance with obtaining airspace and operational waivers under Part 107, obtaining Public Certificates of Authorization or Waiver (Public COAs), policies and procedures for drone programs, and regulatory compliance. Roberts monitors the latest developments in the drone law industry and is published frequently regarding the legal developments in this emerging area of law.

Roberts graduated from the University of Miami Law School, cum laude, in 2007 and from Purdue University with a Bachelor's

degree in Telecommunications, with highest distinction.