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**Tal J. Lifshitz** is an attorney in Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton's complex litigation department.

He handles some of the firm's most complex cases, including:

- representing victims of corrupt Fort Lauderdale lawyer Scott Rothstein's billion dollar Ponzi scheme;
- defending a foreign public utility in a multimillion-dollar contract dispute;
- representing consumers in a pair of class action lawsuits against one of the nation's largest beverage and brewing companies for deceptive and unfair trade practices;
- prosecuting force-placed insurance cases in nationwide class actions against national banks and insurers;
- representing an international private banking group in a complex commercial breach of contract action;
- defending an online document preparation and filing service company from a multimillion-dollar class action lawsuit involving claims of deceptive trade practices;
- defending an international commercial real estate group in a multi-million dollar breach of contract action;
- representing victims of the Jay Peak EB-5 investment scheme in a multimillion dollar class action lawsuit against a pair of national banks and financial services firm;
- representing a federal equity receiver in connection with a multimillion dollar Chilean Ponzi scheme; and
- representing victims of William Wise's Millennium Bank investment scheme in a multimillion dollar class action lawsuit against a national bank.

Tal received his B.A., *magna cum laude*, from the University of Central Florida, where he majored in Legal Studies. He earned his Juris Doctor, *summa cum laude*, from the University of Miami School of Law. While in law school, he was a member of the Charles C. Papy Jr. Moot Court Board and served as the Eleventh Circuit Editor of the University of Miami Law Review. He also was a four-time Dean's Fellow, working with property and criminal procedure courses as well as with the writing center.

During law school, Tal received the Soia Mentschikoff Award for Excellence in Scholarly Writing for his publication, "Arguable Probable Cause": An Unwarranted Approach to Qualified Immunity, 65 U. Miami. L. Rev. 1159 (2011). He also served as a Project Leader for the University of Miami's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program and was a Legal Intern for the Federal Public Defender's Office.

After law school, Tal served as a judicial law clerk to the Honorable Kenneth A. Marra from September 2012 to September 2013.

Tal is also on the Executive Board for the South Florida Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, and will assume the role of President of the organization in 2022. He also serves as Co-Chair of the FBA CLE Committee as well as the Diversity, Equality, and

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## PRACTICE AREAS

Class Actions  
Antitrust Violations  
Fraud and Ponzi Schemes  
Deceptive Trade Practices  
Corporate Shareholder Disputes  
Securities Law Violations  
Contract Disputes

## EDUCATION

J.D., *summa cum laude*,  
University of Miami School of Law  
B.A., *magna cum laude*, Legal  
Studies, University of Central  
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Inclusion Committee, and serves on the FBA National Younger Lawyers in Court Task Force.

He has served as a Faculty Member for NITA, the National Institute for Trial Advocacy, since 2019, teaching multi-day trial and deposition technique programs using NITA's hands-on, "learn-by-doing" method for advocacy seminars.

In a recent pro bono civil rights matter in federal court, Tal and his team obtained a substantial monetary award for an individual who was a victim of police brutality and asserted claims under Section 1983. For his work on the matter, Tal was invited to speak on a panel hosted by two United States District Judges, providing pro bono training for lawyers on litigating civil rights actions in federal court.

Among his many talents, Tal is fluent in Hebrew.

## PERSONAL STATEMENT

I'm driven by the challenge of constantly striving for greatness. There are many good lawyers. There are few great ones. That's why I teach advocacy and mentor younger lawyers. It keeps me sharp, and forces me to think critically about my own techniques and litigation strategies. Being a part of the FBA gives me the same benefits. I'm surrounded by greatness – the elite lawyers and judges of our community. That's where I want to be.

## COURT ADMISSIONS

Florida Bar

United States District Court, Southern and Middle Districts of Florida

United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

## EDUCATION

J.D., University of Miami School of Law

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