

PRACTICE AREAS Complex Litigation Appeals Fee Expert

## **EDUCATION**

J.D., magna cum laude, University of Florida Levin College of Law B.S., cum laude, Journalism, University of Florida B.A., cum laude, Political Science, University of Florida

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**Dwayne Robinson** is a partner at Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton, and focuses his practice on complex litigation and appeals.

Dwayne is an experienced trial and appellate attorney who has represented clients in numerous cases in both federal and state courts. His experience includes presenting oral arguments before the United States Courts of Appeals for the Eleventh and Second Circuits, the Florida Supreme Court, and multiple Florida District Courts of Appeal.

Dwayne's notable cases include successfully representing Miami-Dade College and Santa Fe Community College in class action lawsuits filed by students concerning COVID-19 closures. In a significant win for media defendants, his appellate advocacy was crucial in convincing the Florida Supreme Court to amend its rules, thereby safeguarding First Amendment rights. Dwayne also represented the developer of Fisher Island on appeal and in the lower federal courts in the nation's longest involuntary bankruptcy proceeding. He previously served as part of a litigation and appellate team that secured a victory before the United States Supreme Court. And he has served as lead counsel in bet-thecompany litigation and represented multiple international businesses, including Fortune 500 companies.

Dwayne is a member of The Florida Bar; the United States Supreme Court Bar, the United States Courts of Appeal for the Second, Ninth, and Eleventh Circuits; and the Southern, Middle, and Northern Districts of Florida.

Dwayne holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a Bachelor of Science in Journalism from the University of Florida, where he also completed a minor in Business Administration. He later received his Juris Doctor, magna cum laude, from the University of Florida Levin College of Law, earning the distinction of membership in the Order of the Coif. There, Dwayne served as Editor-in-Chief of the *Florida Law Review*. Thereafter, Dwayne clerked on the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit with the Honorable Ed Carnes.

Prior to law school, he was Editor-in-Chief of *The Independent Florida Alligator* at the University of Florida, then the largest daily independent, student-run newspaper in the country. He later worked for *The Palm Beach Post*, covering local government, politics, and the Florida legislature.

Prior to joining Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton, Dwayne was a senior associate at the international law firm of Hogan Lovells, where he focused on commercial litigation and appellate matters involving corporate governance disputes, foreign sovereign immunity, employment claims, and federal statutory causes of action.

Dwayne is a committed member of the community. He is the incoming Chair of the Appellate Court Rules Committee of The Florida Bar. He serves on the Board of Directors for The Lotus House women's shelter in Miami. He also served as governor on The Florida Bar Young Lawyers Division Board of Governors, representing Miami's Seat. He is the past chair of both the Judicial Diversity Initiative and The Florida Bar's Media & Communications Law Committee.