



## JOSEPH P. JONES

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Joseph Jones has a broad background in commercial real estate development, finance and real estate litigation. As counsel to lenders, developers, multifamily, student housing and condominium developers, title insurance companies, commercial landlords, and construction and management companies, Joe has transacted and litigated throughout all phases of acquisition, development, construction, leasing and operation of thousands of multifamily units, millions of square feet of commercial space and countless acres of raw land.

On the transactional side, Joe has extensive experience in negotiating and documenting real estate purchase and sale transactions; structuring and documenting the acquisition and development of multifamily, condominium, commercial and large-sale residential projects; and working with local, state and federal governmental authorities on zoning, land use and permitting matters. Joe has represented purchasers, sellers, borrowers, and lenders in transactions involving CMBS, mezzanine, joint venture, private equity, international equity, syndication, HUD and conventional financing. Joe is also a title agent who learned the intricacies of the industry by abstracting and drafting his own title commitments. Since then, Joe has written significant amounts of claims free coverage with most major underwriters.

Following early on career advice of the importance of mastering the transactional side before undertaking litigation matters, Joe parlayed his significant transactional experience into a narrowly focused real estate litigation practice. Joe regularly appears in both state and federal courts, where he handles complex real estate disputes representing lenders, borrowers, title insurance companies, developers, landlords and tenants in all manner of disputes, but primarily focusing on title, encumbrance, and priority claims; contract and business organization claims; land use and permitting disputes; distressed asset litigation; and debt restructuring.

## Education

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J.D., Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center  
B.A., University of Central Florida

## Bar Admissions

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U.S. District Court Northern District of Florida Bankruptcy Court  
U.S. District Court Middle District of Florida Bankruptcy Court  
Florida  
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida  
U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida  
U.S. Supreme Court

## Practice Teams

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Dispute Resolution  
Business, Finance & Tax

## Practice Areas

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Aviation  
Banking & Financial Services Litigation  
Corporate  
Real Estate  
Real Estate Litigation