

## Deena Bateh Wallace

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## EXPERIENCE

## **D.B. Wallace Investigations, LLC**

Apr. 2017 to Present

### Sole Owner/Manager

- Principal owner with extensive experience in external civil rights investigations for colleges, universities and corporations, specializing in sexual harassment.
- Fully trained and experienced in all roles of the Title IX process, including external decision maker/hearing officer, external university appointed advisor to both complainants and respondents, privately retained advisor to respondents and external investigator.

## **Fidelity National Title Group, Jacksonville, Florida**

Nov. 2011 to Apr. 2015

### Assistant Vice President, Claims Counsel

- Investigated title insurance claims and made policy coverage determinations.
- Managed outside counsel retained to litigate on insured's behalf.
- Participated in mediations and negotiated favorable settlements of title insurance claims.
- Researched real property law in multiple states, communicated with state underwriting counsel, and drafted corrective instruments.

**State Attorney's Office, Fourth Judicial Circuit, Jacksonville, Florida**

Aug. 2007 to Nov. 2011

## Assistant State Attorney

- Tried 44 jury trials to verdict.
- Argued 300+ motion hearings and tried 50+ bench trials.
- Directed investigations by law enforcement officers, reviewed and approved arrest warrants, and made filing decisions.
- Routinely conducted direct and cross-examinations of both expert and lay witnesses in both deposition and trial.
- Evaluated prospective assistant state attorney candidates and made hiring recommendations as a member of the Hiring Committee.
- Promoted to from County Court to Felony Court in Sept. 2008, from Felony Court to Repeat Offender Court in March, 2009, and from Repeat Offender Court to the Special Assault Division (sex crimes) in May 2009.

## EDUCATION

Stetson University College of Law, St. Petersburg, Florida

Juris Doctor, July 2007

- Teaching Fellow, Fall 2005 to Spring 2006

## **Wofford College, Spartanburg, South Carolina**

Bachelor of Arts, Government, May 2004

- Heart of a Terrier Leadership Award, 2004
  - o Given to a student who has made a positive difference on the campus and who excelled in scholarship, leadership, campus citizenship and service.
- Vice President, Senior Class 2004
  - o Elected as the representative of the Class to organize fundraisers, service projects, and graduation events.
- Founding Member, Wofford College Honor Council

- Selected by Dean of the College to initiate and enforce the first honor code of Wofford College, while creating basic procedural guidelines and presenting it ceremonially to the student body.
- Judicial Commission
  - Elected as a commissioner by the student body in 2001 and 2002 to appoint the College's Judicial Court, served as Appellate Court to student body, and drafted revisions to the Student Code of Rights and Responsibilities.
- Kappa Delta Sorority, Vice President of Membership, 2003 to 2004

**The Episcopal School of Jacksonville**, Jacksonville, Florida, May 2000

**The Bolles School**, Jacksonville, Florida, Aug. 1994 – May 1997

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

ICS Certified Decision Maker, June 2020  
 ICS Certified Investigator, June 2020  
 ATIXA Certified Title IX Investigator, November 2019  
 ACPA Certified Title IX Professional, October 2017  
 CDC Divorce Coaching Certification, August 2024

## **PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT**

City of Jacksonville Civil Service Board, Mayoral appointee 2015-2018; Vice-Chair, 2017-2018; Rules Committee Chair, 2016-2017  
 Chester Bedell Inn of Court – Associate Member 2010  
 Florida Bar Association – Member, 2007-Present  
 Jacksonville Bar Association – Member, 2007-Present; Past Young Lawyers Section Ex-Officio Board Member  
 Riverside Presbyterian Day School Board of Trustees - Member, June 2022-August 2025; Advancement Chair 2024 - 2025  
 Wolfson Children's Hospital Women's Board - Member, 2010-Present; 2026-2027 Florida Forum Co-Chair; Executive Council 2026  
 Episcopal School of Jacksonville Alumni Board – Member, 2025 – Present