

## **Louis DeFreitas, Jr.**

### **Education**

University of the District of Columbia, B.A., 1986

Tulane University School of Law, J.D., 1989

### **Certifications**

Florida Supreme Court Certified Circuit Court Mediator, 2018- present

Florida Bar Board Certified Civil Trial Lawyer 2011- Present

### **Legal Experience**

Law offices of Arnold Hawkins 1993-1994

Law offices of Luis Figueroa (Nationwide Insurance Company) 1997-1998

Best and Anderson, P.A. 1998 -2006

Shareholder, Morgan and Morgan P.A. 2006-2023

Of Counsel, Osborne and Francis, PLLC. 2023-2026

### **Background**

Mr. DeFreitas has over 36 years of experience in the civil litigation/claims arena. He has worked in claims for State Farm Insurance company in Silver Spring, Maryland and for Progressive Insurance Company in Orlando. Additionally, he has worked in the Nationwide Insurance Company in house counsel office in Orlando defending cases in trial.

Louis has tried well over 100 cases to verdict as a plaintiff's attorney working at the former Best and Anderson plaintiff's law firm for 8 years and then for the Morgan and Morgan Firm for 17 years where he was a shareholder. He has represented clients in cases involving personal injury, premises liability, wrongful death, products liability, insurance disputes/bad faith and first party insurance disputes.

Mr. DeFreitas has gained valuable experience as a litigator and problem solver and looks forward to using his skills, knowledge and experience as a mediator.

He is Fluent in Spanish and Portuguese.

### **Professional Associations**

American Board of Trial Advocates Central Florida Chapter 2016- present

Million Dollar Advocates Forum

### **Bar Admissions**

Florida

Georgia

Maryland

District of Columbia

United States District Court, Middle District Florida