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As an experienced commercial litigation and insurance defense attorney, Skip Kohlmyer has proudly represented high-profile clients across Florida and beyond. He’s a shareholder at ZKS and part of the firm’s leadership team.

With nearly 30 years in the legal profession, Skip leads a broad commercial practice, focusing on defending corporations and individuals in federal and state courts. His extensive experience in commercial litigation involves complex contract disputes, legal and regulatory compliance, and consumer protection matters. Skip is notably recognized for his work on cases involving the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA), Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), and the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), including serving as appellate counsel for two landmark TCPA decisions in the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

Skip is licensed in six states and represents clients in Florida, Georgia, New York, and the western states of Utah, Montana, and Wyoming. He provides comprehensive legal guidance on commercial disputes, real estate, land use, and international business law. His clients rely on him as a trusted advisor, valued for his ability to solve complex legal issues while supporting their long-term business goals.

Skip’s approach centers on building meaningful relationships with his clients and helping people resolve their legal disputes. Throughout his career, Skip has held numerous leadership positions within the legal community, including serving as President of the Florida Collectors Association and as a committee member with ACA International. His contributions to consumer protection and commercial litigation have left a lasting impact, advancing industry standards through high-profile appellate cases.

As a Shareholder at ZKS, Skip appreciates the firm’s dedication to providing premier legal services, which are bolstered by a supportive culture and commitment to professional growth. Contributing to initiatives in marketing and technology, Skip values the collaborative environment at ZKS, which enhances client service and attorney development.

An active member of his community, Skip serves as a Stephen Minister at Discovery Church in Orlando. Outside his practice, he enjoys snow skiing, spending time with his family and grandkids, and enjoying the western mountains and the Florida beaches. A longtime resident of Lake Nona, he takes pride in his community and is a dedicated fan of Florida State sports.

Practice Areas

Commercial Litigation | International Law

Education

LL.M. Global Antitrust and Economics, George Mason University, Antonin Scalia School of Law | LL.M. Transnational Commercial Practice, Lazarski University in coordination with Universität Salzburg and Boston University | J.D. University of Dayton School of Law | B.S. Multinational Business Operations, Florida State University

Bar & Court Admissions

Florida Collectors Association (Past President) | ACA International | American Bar Association, Antitrust and Consumer Protection Division | Federal Bar Association | Florida Bar | State Bar of Georgia | New York State Bar | Utah State Bar | Montana State Bar | Wyoming State Bar