

# Alan Williams

## Professor of Law

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Professor Williams joined Florida Coastal School of Law in 2009 as a full-time faculty member. Right out of college he was a professional basketball player for the Sunair in the European League in Ostend, Belgium. He returned to the States and served in the private sector as Assistant Vice President at First Union National Bank in Jacksonville, Florida in 1988-91. After earning his law degree he served as Attorney/Shareholder at Fowler, White, Burnett in Miami, Florida from 1994-2003 and President of Physicians Medical Legal Prevention LLC from 2003-09. He turned to teaching in 2007 where he was an Adjunct Professor at Florida State.

### Expertise

Evidence

Torts

Law and Medicine

Health Law

Medical Malpractice Law

### Education

Florida State University College of Law, J.D., 1994, *High Honors*

Princeton University, A.B. in English, 1987, *Honors*

### Teaching & Scholarship

Evidence

Law and Medicine

Medical Malpractice Law

Health Law

Products Liability

Bioethics and Public Health

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Insurance Law  
Genetics and the Law  
Torts  
Constitutional Law

### **Professional Activities**

Supreme Court of the United States of America  
United States District Court, Southern District of Florida  
United States District Court, Middle District of Florida  
National Native American Bar Association  
American Bar Association  
Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States of America  
Florida Bar Association

### **Grand Rounds Presentations**

Harvard Medical School and Brigham & Women's Hospital, Department of Medicine  
Dartmouth Medical School / Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center, Department of Neurology  
University of Alabama – Birmingham Medical School / Hospitals, Department of Surgery  
Cook's Children's Hospital, Dallas  
University of Florida College of Medicine / Shands Hospital Jacksonville

### **Publications - Books**

- "Physician, Protect Thyself" Margol Publishing, 2007 [reviewed in *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 2007;298:689-690; *Mayo Clinic Proceedings*, 2007;82:893; *Journal of Healthcare Risk Management*, 2008;27:9] Translated into Chinese and published in China and Taiwan, 2015

### Publications - Articles

- "Save Thousands of Lives Every Year: Resuscitate the Peer Review Privilege" *29 J.L. & Health* 221 (2016)
- "Abolishing the Excited Utterance Exception to the Rule Against Hearsay" *63 Kansas Law Review* 717 (2015)
- "Congress Saved Peer Review: Who Knew?" *Journal of the American Medical Association – Surgery*, Volume 149, No. 4 (2014) [peer-edited journal]
- "A Proposed Compromise for National Medical Malpractice Reform," *105 Southern Medical Journal* 573 (2012) [peer-edited journal]
- "The Cure for What Ails: A Realistic Remedy for the Medical Malpractice Crisis," *23 Stanford Law & Policy Review* 477 (2011)