

## JOANNE I. NACHIO

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### AREAS OF PRACTICE

General Liability  
Premises & Retail Liability  
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Automobile Liability  
Appellate Advocacy & Post-Trial Practice

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### ADMISSIONS

Florida  
2014

U.S. District Court Middle District  
of Florida  
2019

U.S. District Court Southern  
District of Florida  
2019

### EDUCATION

St. John's University School of  
Law (LL.M., International and  
Comparative Sports Law, 2015)

Notre Dame Law School (J.D.,  
2013)

Dartmouth College (A.B., 2009)

### ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

The Florida Bar, Young Lawyers  
Division

Florida Bar, Appellate Practice  
Section

Florida Bar, Trial Lawyers Section

Third District Court of Appeal  
Historic Society

### OVERVIEW

Joanne Nachio is a member of the firm's Casualty Department in the Fort Lauderdale office. She practices in the areas of general and premises liability, product liability, public entity and civil rights, automotive liability, and appellate advocacy and post-trial practice.

Prior to joining the firm, Joanne practiced in appellate litigation, insurance coverage, litigation support, bad faith and claims administration, first party property, complex personal injury, and maritime and admiralty defense litigation, as well as in a diverse set of industries that include intercollegiate athletics, education, international sports, and food and beverage.

Born in Panama and raised in South Florida, Joanne pursued her education at Dartmouth College, where she double majored in English and Art History; a study abroad program in English Literature at the University of Glasgow; her J.D. from the University of Notre Dame Law School; and her LL.M. from St. John's University School of Law. At Notre Dame, Joanne served as the Executive Managing Editor of the *Notre Dame Journal of International and Comparative Law*.

In addition to her practice, Joanne enjoys volunteering, sports, and spending time with her husband and family.

### THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

#### Florida Passes Tort Reform: What You Need to Know

**Fort Lauderdale**  
**General Liability**  
**March 27, 2023**

On March 24, 2023, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis signed House Bill 837, "Civil Remedies," into law. The material in this law alert has been prepared for our readers by Marshall Dennehey.

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**LANGUAGES**

Spanish (Fluent)

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**YEAR JOINED**

2022

**SIGNIFICANT REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS**

Succeeded in obtaining a per curiam affirmance by the Sixth District Court of Appeal of a motion for summary judgment entered in favor of a rental manager. In granting summary judgment, the trial court found that the rental manager, which did not own the premises, did not owe the Plaintiff a non-delegable duty and had no duty to maintain the exterior of the premises pursuant to the owner agreement with the homeowner. The trial court also found that the guest failed to establish any genuine issue as to any material fact regarding an insufficiency or issue with the operation of the lighting of the porch on the property which would give rise to a breach of any possible duty. The Court also provisionally granted the rental manager attorney's fees upon the determination of the trial court at the conclusion of the case, pursuant to a proposal for settlement. *Janice Dillard v. VHC Hospitality LLC d/b/a Vacation Home Collection, Luciana Pinto, and Terra Resort Villa Homeowners Association Inc.*, No. 6D23-1256 (Fla. 6th DCA May 16, 2023).