

## MATTHEW R. WYKES

ASSOCIATE



### AREAS OF PRACTICE

Automobile Liability  
Premises & Retail Liability  
Product Liability  
General Liability  
Commercial Litigation

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### ADMISSIONS

Florida  
2024

### EDUCATION

Florida A&M University College of  
Law (J.D., 2023)

University of Central Florida (B.S.,  
Legal Studies, 2017)

### YEAR JOINED

2024

### OVERVIEW

Matthew R. Wykes is an associate in the Casualty Department, dedicating his practice to representing clients' insurance defense coverage claims, specifically personal injury defense, premises liability, motor vehicle accidents, catastrophic injury and wrongful death actions.

Before joining Marshall Dennehey, Matthew worked as an associate at a national defense law firm, where he initially served as a law clerk for nearly two years. In his role as an associate, Matthew was responsible for various tasks including creating trial expert packages, drafting settlement evaluations and litigation plans, attending depositions, and conducting legal research and investigations.

He currently manages civil litigation and personal injury law cases from inception to resolution. Additionally, Matthew's experience with a national insurance provider has endowed him with valuable insights, enabling him to efficiently handle property and casualty insurance issues through thorough research, meticulous attention to detail, and effective communication.

Matthew earned his bachelor's degree in legal studies from the University of Central Florida in 2017, followed by his *juris doctor* from Florida A&M College of Law.

He is licensed to practice law in Florida.

### THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

#### Marshall Dennehey Bolsters Florida Casualty Practice With Addition of Litigation Trio in Orlando

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July 25, 2024

A trio of attorneys – two with extensive trial experience in casualty litigation matters – has joined Marshall Dennehey's Orlando office.

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## RESULTS

### Victory Obtained at Trial in Case Involving Negligent Sidewalk Design

#### **Premises & Retail Liability**

**February 12, 2025**

We won a premises liability case involving allegations of negligent sidewalk design. The plaintiff, a quadriplegic who has been in a wheelchair since 1984, entered our client's convenience store using the designated wheelchair ramp without issue. However, upon leaving the store, he inexplicably failed to use the same ramp and, instead, attempted to go directly over the curb, resulting in a fall and a fractured leg. During his deposition, the plaintiff admitted he successfully navigated the wheelchair ramp upon entering the store.