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CAREER PROFILE

POSITION:

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AREAS OF PRACTICE:

Commercial Litigation
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Insurance Defense and Risk Management
Special Assets

ADMITTED:

Florida, 1989

EDUCATION:

Stetson University College of Law
St. Petersburg, Florida, 1988
J.D., Doctor of Jurisprudence

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Tampa, Florida, 1984
B.A., Bachelor of Arts

AFFILIATIONS:

The Florida Bar

Member, Technology and Computer Law
Committees

Hillsborough County Bar Association

Member, Chair, Technology Committee

American Bar Association

Member, Litigation, Science and Technology
and Business Law Sections; Committee,
Uniform Commercial Code and Cyberspace,
Computer and Internet Litigation; Electronic
Commerce, and Internet and Cyberspace

Steven G. Burton

Mr. Steven G. Burton is a Managing Partner of Broad and Cassel. He serves as Chairperson of the Computer and Technology Practice Group. Business and commercial litigation have been Mr. Burton's primary area of practice for more than 20 years.

- Mr. Burton has handled business torts and shareholder and partner disputes for most of his career. He has served as lead counsel or "first chair" for a number of Fortune 100 and Fortune 500 companies operating in Florida and the United States in various disputes involving tens millions of dollars and, in some instances, where over \$1 billion was at issue.
- He has more than a thousand hours of trial and arbitration experience.
- Mr. Burton has handled several multi-million dollar commercial lawsuits, including disputes involving government contracts, construction litigation, product liability, warranty liability, and tortious interference with business relationships and various class actions. His practice also emphasizes litigation under Articles 2, 3, 4, and 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code, business torts and technology litigation.
- Mr. Burton served as outside general counsel to the Speaker of the House from 2003-2004. He has served as legal advisor for three separate Speakers of the House of Representatives through the years.
- Mr. Burton drafted technology legislation which unanimously passed the Florida House and Senate and was signed into law by Governor Jeb Bush in 1999. He also served as an advisor to the U.S. Congress on technology legislation issues.
- Mr. Burton holds an AV rating with Martindale Hubbell (only 5 percent of attorneys are awarded this rating), a rating denoting the highest accolade an attorney can receive for his legal ability and "adherence to professional standards of conduct, ethics, reliability and diligence."
- He was just designated a 2009 "Florida Legal Elite" in *Florida Trend* magazine by his peers, an honor awarded to less than 2 percent of the Florida Bar.
- Mr. Burton has also been named as one of the "Best Lawyers in America" for his legal expertise in Technology Law. Selection to "Best Lawyers" is based on an exhaustive and rigorous peer-review survey comprising more than 2.8 million confidential evaluations by the top attorneys in the Country.



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Community Service

Mr. Burton is very active in organizations that support and improve the quality of life in the Tampa area, including but not limited to:

- Recently, Mr. Burton was appointed by Florida's Governor to the Hillsborough County Aviation Authority which has exclusive jurisdiction over all publicly owned airports in the County, including Tampa International Airport. He serves with two other Governor appointees, the Mayor of Tampa and County Commissioner Ken Hagan.
- He was recently appointed by Florida's Governor Charlie Crist to act as Co-Chairman for Finance for the State Republican Party.
- Board Member, Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce.
- Member, CEO Council of Florida.
- Mr. Burton was appointed to the Board of Trustees for the University of South Florida by the Governor for two terms.
- He was recently appointed to the Board of Overseers for Stetson College of Law for a 3 year term.
- He also currently serves as a board member of the Cleveland Clinic Wellness Institute Leadership Board, based in Cleveland, Ohio.
- He was the visionary of and driving force behind SUPERKids, a successful tutorial after school pilot program for at-risk children in Kindergarten through Grade 2 in Hillsborough County.
- He serves on the Board of the Shelton Quarles Foundation, which was founded by Tampa Bay Buccaneers starting linebacker Shelton Quarles. The Foundation is dedicated to helping at risk children.

