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### EDUCATION

JD, Vermont Law School, 1983  
BA, University of Michigan, 1987

### BAR ADMISSIONS

Florida  
Massachusetts  
New Hampshire  
Colorado

### COURT ADMISSIONS

State Courts Florida,  
Massachusetts, New  
Hampshire and Colorado

United States District Court  
for the District of  
Massachusetts

Lawrence brings more than thirty years of experience to the Hickey Smith team, successfully defending the interests of commercial and personal insureds in the areas of wrongful death, premises liability, liquor liability, nursing home abuse, medical and dental malpractice, and motor vehicle torts. Lawrence has obtained numerous successful defense verdicts in high exposure negligence actions, and has been responsible for general and professional liability cases from discovery through trial in both federal and state courts.

Lawrence has represented clients in complex medical malpractice actions, and defended numerous restaurants and bars in high-profile liquor liability actions, resulting in advantageous outcomes for the client. He has also led the successful defense of hundreds of commercial insureds in premises liability and negligent security actions, insurance matters, encompassing all aspects of the litigation process, from initial case evaluation to resolution.

Lawrence earned his Juris Doctorate from Vermont Law School, where he graduated in the top of his class and received the prestigious American Jurisprudence Award. He also served as president of Northeast Dispute Resolution, Inc. where he acted as chief mediator and arbitrator in numerous personal injury actions. With his extensive background and many years of experience delivering consistent, opportune results, Lawrence provides valuable expertise to Hickey Smith clients.

#### ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIP

Lawrence has participated as a presenter at the Florida Liquor Liability Law seminar, and has previous memberships in Palm Beach County Bar Association, Broward County Bar Association and American Bar Association

#### REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Provided case strategies and representation of Boston Catholic Hospitals in medical malpractice actions, leading to successful results from either trial outcome or settlement
- Represented hundreds of Florida commercial insureds in premises liability and negligent security actions with advantageous results for clients
- Utilized expertise to successfully defend various restaurant and beverage establishments in high-profile liquor liability actions providing the client with advantageous solutions
- Provided clients with case strategies and favorable resolutions in wrongful death, premises liability, liquor liability (Dram Shop), nursing home abuse, medical and dental malpractice and motor vehicle torts