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Kristin Ottinger's diverse practice focuses on litigation, education and local government law. Her civil litigation practice involves defending businesses and government entities in lawsuits and achieving successful outcomes through strategic litigation and settlement approaches. Kristin maintains a role as general counsel in local government and serving as legal counsel for the Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Counsel, Flagler-Volusia Planning Organization, Space Coast Planning Organization and the School Board of Hernando County.

Before joining the firm, Kristin defended the City of Tampa in liability cases, handling property damage and bodily injury lawsuits, contract disputes, and acting as the City's municipal prosecutor in pursuit of ordinance violations. She previously served as in-house counsel for one of the largest insurance companies in the U.S., where she managed all phases of litigation and provided legal advice and representation for the company in both property and bodily injury coverage disputes.

Kristin is adept in both civil and criminal law, having managed her own practice for four years, following her tenure as criminal prosecutor with the State of Florida. With over two decades of

## PRACTICE AREAS

- Municipal Counsel
- <u>Governmental Actions</u> <u>and Defense</u>
- <u>Litigation</u>
- <u>Insurance and Workers</u> <u>Compensation Defense</u>
- Education Law



Florida, 2000

U.S. Supreme Court, 2018



experience as an attorney, Kristin has successfully participated in over 80 jury trials and more than 100 bench trials.

Kristin graduated from the Stetson University College of Law, where she was a Legal Writing Honor Society member, a Client Counseling competitive team member, and was awarded the William F. Blews Pro Bono Service Award.

## **EDUCATION**

Stetson University College of Law, Juris Doctor, 2000

University of Florida, B.S. Psychology,1997