



Trial Practice

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Skilled and Experienced Trial Lawyers

At Meland Budwick, we begin every litigation matter expecting it to go to trial. That posture shapes how we build cases, from the evidence we pursue in discovery to the way we frame our themes from day one.

Genuine trial experience is rarer among commercial litigators than clients often realize. Our attorneys have deep, current experience trying cases before juries, judges, and arbitration panels, on both the plaintiff and defense sides, across a wide range of commercial disputes.

That experience changes the calculus in every case. Opposing counsel knows we try cases, and clients know we are capable of doing it well. That reputation enables our clients to negotiate from a position of genuine strength.



Representative Matters

- Obtained an eight-figure judgment following a JAMS arbitration on behalf of a national staffing company against its former president.
- Obtained a full defense judgment following a bench trial in a real estate litigation in Orange County, FL where more than \$80 million was at issue.
- Successfully defended against a \$40 million claim based on the theft of crypto assets in a JAMS arbitration in New York.
- Obtained a jury verdict for a large commercial laundry in a trade secrets, FDUTPA, and tortious interference trial.
- Following a bench trial, obtained a multimillion dollar judgment against guarantors in a complex guarantor deficiency action.
- Obtained highly favorable mid-trial settlement in adversary proceeding in bankruptcy court involving eight-figure breach-of-contract action against lender.
- Represented Kenneth A. Welt, as the Chapter 7 bankruptcy trustee for the estate of Ali Reza Zargaran in a trial in the District Court for the Southern District of Florida. Successful avoided the transfer of Texas property to and deemed the property in Texas an asset of the Chapter 7 bankruptcy estate.
- Represented a school management company in a breach of contract case. The case was adjudicated before a three-member arbitration panel composed of two former judges, and it proceeded to a contested, week-long final evidentiary hearing. Following the hearing, the panel entered an order affirming our client's claims and rejecting the respondent's affirmative defenses.
- Represented the debtor, which was the owner and operator of the Sagamore Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida. Following a contested confirmation hearing, the Bankruptcy Court confirmed Sagamore's amended reorganization plan.
- Represented large insurance company in litigation against former employees for stealing trade secrets. Obtained an emergency injunction.
- Represented an individual in a week-long arbitration trial involving claims of business defamation and breach of fiduciary duty.
- Represented real-estate developer in a trial of a foreclosure action involving complicated defenses and a counterclaim.
- Represented note purchaser in breach-of-guaranty trial in the Complex Business Division of Miami-Dade Circuit Court.



- Represented debtor in a bench trial in the Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Florida to determine the validity, priority, and extent of liens.

Related Attorneys

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