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## Areas of Practice

Administrative Law      Constitutional Law  
Appellate Practice  
Government  
Litigation  
Government Procurement and Bid Protests  
Antitrust and Trade Regulation

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## ▼ Biography

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Former Florida Attorney General Doran's practice focuses on state government regulation and civil litigation. He is experienced in representing individuals and business in consumer protection matters including Can Spam Act, UDTPA, data security, advertising substantiation and negative options, civil and administrative Medicaid Fraud cases and other government regulatory matters. He also frequently represents business clients in matters investigated by the Florida Attorney General's Office and multi-state investigations by state attorneys general. Doran also advises clients on Florida constitutional and statutory law issues including public records and open meetings laws and state campaign finance, ethics and gift laws. He is admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, all Federal District Courts of Florida and the Florida Supreme Court and is counsel of record in over 200 reported appellate cases.

## ▼ Admitted to Practice

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State of Florida  
United States Supreme Court  
Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals  
United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida  
United States District Court for the Northern District of Florida  
United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida

## ▼ Career Experience

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Attorney General of the State of Florida 2002-2003  
Chief Deputy Attorney General of the State of Florida 1997 - 2002  
General Counsel, Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services 1995 - 1997

## ▼ Professional & Community Involvement

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Florida Bar Professional Ethics Committee 2005  
Chairman, Second Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission, 2006 - 2007 and 2010 - 2011 (direct gubernatorial appointee)

Past Chair, Florida Judicial Nominating Procedures Committee, 2003-2004  
Executive Committee Member, Project On Accountable Justice, 2013-present  
Chairman, Project On Accountable Justice, 2015 - present  
Director, Boy Scouts of America, Suwannee River Area Council  
Leadership Florida, Class XXIII

## ▼ Education

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J.D., Stetson University College of Law, 1981  
B.A., Bethany College, W. VA., 1978

## ▼ Extended Profile

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Richard E. Doran is a shareholder in the Tallahassee law firm of Ausley McMullen. He joined the firm in 2003 after completion of his term as Florida's 34th Attorney General. Prior to his appointment as Attorney General by Governor Jeb Bush, Richard served five years as Chief Deputy Attorney General for Attorney General Bob Butterworth. In that position he supervised the efforts of the nearly four hundred lawyers serving as Assistant Attorney Generals, managed the daily operation of the office and oversaw all major litigation such as the state's antitrust lawsuit against Microsoft and many consumer fraud investigations including investigations of Ford Motor Company, Rite Aid, MCI, Firestone and BankOne.

From 1995 through 1997, he served as General Counsel of the Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services. From 1990 through 1995, he served as managing attorney of the Florida Attorney General's Criminal Appeals Division and Civil Litigation Division.

Doran's practice focuses on trade regulation and civil litigation. He also advises clients on compliance with state level campaign, lobbying and gift laws, on public records and open meetings laws. Admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, all Federal District Courts of Florida and the Florida Supreme Court; he is counsel of record in over 200 reported appellate cases.

### REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Ongoing representation of Fortune 500 companies in the area of state attorneys general activity;

Frequent representation of major companies in the home improvement, rental car, hotel, telecommunications, mortgage finance, and electronic communication security businesses in matters investigated by the Florida Attorney General's Division of Economic Crimes and multi-state investigations by various state attorneys general;

Past representation of Executive Office of the Governor, Florida's Secretary of State, Department of Children and Families and Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

### EDUCATION:

Bethany College, West Virginia - B.A. English Literature 1978  
Stetson University College of Law - J.D. 1981

### LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS:

The Florida Bar Association 1981

### RECOGNITION:

AV rated by Martindale-Hubbell  
Florida Trend Magazine Legal Elite- 2008, 2012, 2013, 2016

### COURT ADMISSIONS

United State Supreme Court  
Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals

United States District Court for the Northern District of Florida  
United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida  
United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida  
All state courts in Florida

**MEMBERSHIPS:**

The Florida Bar  
Tallahassee Bar Association  
Federalist Society  
American Bar Association

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

First District Court of Appeals Judicial Nominating Commission 2015-  
Second Judicial Circuit Court Judicial Nominating Commission  
2005-2011 (Chair 2006-2007 and 2010-2011)  
Governor-Elect Charlie Crist's transition team 2006-2007  
Chair, Florida Bar Judicial Nominating Procedures Committee  
Florida Bar Judicial Evaluation Committee,  
Florida Bar Judicial Administration, Selection and Tenure Committee  
Florida Bar Professional Ethics Committee

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**

Director, Rainbow Rehab 2003- 2009  
Suwannee River Area Council, Boy Scouts of America 2005-present  
Leadership Florida Class XXIII

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Active in continuing legal education as a lecturer and trainer with presentations to:  
American Bar Association Section of Antitrust and Consumer Law,  
National Association of Attorneys General,  
National Association of Prosecuting Attorneys Engaged in Capital Litigation,  
Florida Judicial Nominating Commissions,  
Florida Prosecuting Attorneys Association,  
Florida Department of Legal Affairs  
Florida Highway Patrol Training Academy,  
Florida Department of Children and Families,  
Government Lawyers Bar of Tallahassee  
Florida Press Association Reporters Workshop  
Government Lawyers Section of the Florida Bar

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