

HONORABLE WILLIAM R. HOLLEY

After graduating from Stetson University, Judge Holley, a native of Jacksonville, Florida, served as a legislative assistant in the Florida State Senate. He left this position to manage two political campaigns before earning both a Master of Public Administration and a Juris Doctor in 1997. While attending the Stetson College of Law, Holley interned with two United States District Judges, the National Labor Relations Board and the State Attorney's Office in Clearwater, Florida. He was elected twice as Vice President of the Student Bar Association, awarded membership on Stetson Law Review and served on the National Labor Law Moot Court Team.

Judge Holley was admitted to the Florida Bar in 1997 and the Georgia Bar in 2006. He began his legal career as an assistant state attorney, which was followed by working as in house counsel for an international logistics corporation. In 2002, Holley joined the Law Office of Amy Warpinski, a Field Legal Office of Liberty Mutual Group, where he received two Bravo Awards in 2006 and 2010 for his dedication and efforts in providing quality legal services. His areas of concentration were Florida and Georgia Workers Compensation with a secondary focus on automobile and premises liability.

In 2010, Governor Charlie Crist appointed Holley as one of the two Judges of Compensation Claims for the Jacksonville District to adjudicate workers compensation cases over an eight county area. Judge Holley was recently reappointed by Governor Rick Scott for a second term that commenced in 2014.

Professional and Community Service

Throughout his career, Judge Holley has been immersed in public service for the good of his community and the legal profession. He has served in numerous leadership positions for several organizations including:

- E. Robert Williams American Inn of Court (President - two terms, Vice President, Treasurer, Master of the Bench);
- American Inns of Court (Former Member of the Program Awards Committee);
- Conference of Judges of Compensation Claims (Executive Committee Member – elected 2 terms);
- National Association of Workers Compensation Judiciary (Member, Moot Court Committee Member);
- Rotary Club of Southpoint (Past President et al, Past Youth Exchange Officer, Past District SHARE committee);
- Friends of 440 Scholarship Fund Inc. (State Board of Directors, former Northeast Florida Chapter President and current Member);

- Stetson University Alumni Association Board of Directors, (N.E. Florida District Chair - two terms, Chair of Nominations Committee – two terms, Chair of District Reorganization Committee);
- Temporary Loan Closet - Independent Living Center (Advisory Board Member);
- Jacksonville Bar Association (Workers Compensation, Appellate, and Professionalism Committees)
- Florida Bar Workers Compensation Executive Committee (Former At Large Board Member – elected for 2 terms by his peers);
- Florida Bar Workers' Compensation Rules Advisory Committee (Former Member appointed 4 terms, Subcommittee Chair)
- Leadership Stetson 2011

Education

- Bachelor of Arts, Stetson University, 1991
- Master of Public Administration, UNF, 1997, Magna Cum Laude
- Juris Doctor, Stetson College of Law, 1997, Cum Laude

Honors and Awards

During his education and career, Judge Holley has received the following awards:

- J. Ollie Edmunds Service Award (Stetson University)
- Membership in the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society (UNF)
- Raphael Steinhardt Award (Stetson College of Law)
- Meritorious Service Award (Stetson College of Law)
- Liberty Mutual Bravo Award 2006;
- Liberty Mutual Bravo Award 2010;
- Jake Olsen (Rotary Club of Southpoint) Service Above Self Award 2006- 2007
- Platinum Award from the American Inns of Court as President of the E. Robert Williams Inn.
- Best Alumni District Award - Stetson University 2012 and 2013;
- Outstanding Alumni Representative Award - Stetson College of Law 2013