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First and Third Party Property and Casualty Claims
General Liability Defense Litigation
Premises Liability

BAR & COURT ADMISSION

Florida Bar

EDUCATION

Graduate:
Barry University, Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law, *Juris*
Doctorate
Undergraduate:
Florida State University, B.S. in Computer Science

Joseph (Joe) was born and raised in a small town outside of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Joe was born to Joseph S. Bellissimo Jr., Esq., and Edythe Bellissimo. He is the oldest of 5 children. In 2014, he moved to New Smyrna Beach, Florida, and has called Central Florida home ever since. He graduated from New Smyrna Beach High School as a member of the engineering academy, where he held the state record for almost a decade in the Autodesk Inventor Certification Exam. He is a proud graduate of Florida State University, earning his B.S. in Computer Science. After graduating from FSU, Joe, a devout Roman Catholic, attended Barry University Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law, acquiring his *Juris Doctorate*.

Following his passion for streetwear and limited-edition collectors' pieces, Joe created automation software for securing exclusive, hard-to-find items. With this precise and innovative software, Joe has been able to broker deals between high profile clients and retailers. Joe's proficiency with technology was apparent in his early childhood, when at just 4 years old, he was the IT technician for his elementary school. Joe's upbringing in the legal profession started with him playing action figures beside his father amid meetings and admiring the hard, but gratifying work his father did.

Since joining Vernis & Bowling, Joe handles claims involving general liability, automobile liability, property and casualty, and cyber security.

Outside of the office, you can spot Joe hiding in the crowd at a theme park or taking the spotlight announcing a basketball game. Joe is an avid supporter of both Tottenham Hotspur Football Club and the Florida State Seminoles. A lover of space and exploration, Joe is thrilled with the possibility of colonizing Mars and has personally volunteered himself and his family to be the first to go. He has gone as far as to name his dog after Saturn's smallest moon, Atlas. Joe advocates for renewable energy and has an unnatural affection for McDonald's Coca-Cola.