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EDUCATION

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*Undergraduate:*

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Austin grew up in Niceville, Florida, an area of Okaloosa County known for its beaches and Southern hospitality.

After graduating from the University of Miami School of Law, Austin worked in support staff roles at law firms gaining practical experience while studying for the bar exam. He started his career as a public defender. Since joining Vernis & Bowling, Austin handles primarily construction and construction defect litigation.

He also has great interest in serving the community and enjoys taking on charitable work. In the past, Austin has served as a Guardian ad Litem Volunteer and currently volunteers at food distribution banks.

Austin enjoys getting out and enjoying nature, learning chess, watching college football - especially the Miami Hurricanes, and spending time with friends.

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Julian Rodriguez was born in San Antonio, Texas and was raised in Orlando, Florida. He graduated from the Florida State University College of Business with a Bachelor of Science in Management and would later receive his *Juris Doctorate* from Stetson University College of Law.

Julian worked with Vernis & Bowling as a law clerk for two years

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while attending Stetson Law and became an associate attorney upon his admittance to the Florida Bar. He has also served his local community by participating in *pro-bono* family law work with Bay Area Legal Services in Tampa, Florida. Prior to joining Vernis & Bowling, he gained valuable experience in both personal injury and immigration law.

In his free time, Julian enjoys spending quality time with friends and family, listening to music, and exploring new places and activities within the community

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John, who has gone by "Jack" his whole life, grew up in northern Virginia but knew he wanted to experience different parts of the country. An avid football fan, he chose to attend the University of Notre Dame. There, in addition to braving the frigid temperatures of northern Indiana, he obtained his Bachelor of Business Administration in Business Analytics with an additional Major in Philosophy. Jack has long enjoyed debating various subjects and has always been interested in strategy games such as chess and hearts, but it was not until his junior year at Notre Dame that he knew a legal career would be a good fit for him.

Jack then sought out warmer weather and attended the University of Georgia School of Law, where he earned his Juris Doctor. While there, he interned for a variety of different organizations and legal services providers, and served as an Executive Editor of the Georgia Criminal Law Review. Jack began his legal career clerking for state court judges in southern Georgia.

After a fulfilling year as a judicial law clerk, Jack made his way to the Sunshine State and began working for Vernis & Bowling. He currently focuses on automobile liability and premises liability cases.

In his free time, Jack enjoys working out, playing and watching

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various sports (especially his beloved Fighting Irish and Bulldogs), and relaxing outdoors.

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Darcy Tsikerdanos was born and raised in Central Florida. She graduated from the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with a minor in History. While at the University of Florida, Darcy was heavily involved in volunteer work on and off campus, UF's Premed AMSA where she served as a Committee Director, and the Greek Community.

Following her graduation from the University of Florida, Darcy attended Stetson University College of Law where she obtained her *Juris Doctorate*. While at Stetson Law, she served as a campus ambassador, the treasurer of Stetson's Health Care Law Association, and as a research assistant and teaching assistant for Stetson's Legal Research and Writing Department. She also clerked with a private firm specializing in contract, real property, and business litigation, as well as corporate transactional law, where she gained invaluable transferable experience.

Since joining Vernis & Bowling, Darcy's practice primarily focuses on automobile liability, general liability defense, and premises liability claims.

Outside the practice of law, Darcy enjoys traveling both locally and internationally, spending time with her family and friends, and exploring local parks and dog-friendly beaches with her dog, Dixie.

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Caroline was born and raised in St. Petersburg, Florida. She received her bachelor's degree in criminology & law from the University of Florida. Upon graduating *summa cum laude*, Caroline pursued a *Juris Doctorate* at Florida State University College of Law and was honored with the distinguished *Pro Bono* Certificate for her extensive volunteer work in Tallahassee and the Tampa Bay area. During law school, Caroline served as Secretary on the executive board of LitiGATORS, a club for UF undergrads who currently attend FSU Law. There she assisted in oversight of the club, maintained records, and provided bookkeeping.

During her law school career, Caroline held Student Associate positions in many different areas of law such as civil litigation, property law, family law, estate planning, business and corporate law, and intellectual property.

Upon being admitted to the Florida Bar, Caroline served as an Associate Attorney for a private firm in St. Petersburg, Florida, specializing in property and business litigation, as well as property and corporate transactional law.

At Vernis & Bowling, Caroline focuses her practice in the areas of Automobile Liability (PIP/PD/BI/UM), First- and Third-Party Property and Casualty Claims, Wrongful Death, and Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist Liability. Caroline is a zealous advocate for her clients, which include various insurance carriers and self-insureds.

When she is not working, Caroline enjoys traveling, reading, exploring new cafes, and spending time with her family.