

Melane E. Damian





Ms. Damian represents public and private companies and individuals in a variety of complex business and securities litigation.

She regularly serves as court-appointed Federal Equity Receiver, Special Monitor, and distribution Agent, and also serves as Receiver and Monitor in state court matters. Ms. Damian also serves as counsel to Receivers serving in both state and federal court.

She counsels companies on corporate governance matters and serves as counsel to special litigation committees performing internal investigations in response to shareholder derivative demands. She also represents officers and directors in corporate and securities litigation matters.

Ms. Damian is a Past Chair of the Business Law Section of The Florida Bar, Immediate Past President of the International Women's Forum (IWF) Florida Chapter. Ms. Damian has received several professional acknowledgments. She is listed as one of the Top 50 Women Lawyers in the state of Florida by Florida Super Lawyers magazine. Ms. Damian has also been included in Florida Trend's Legal Elite and the South Florida Legal Guide since 2004.

Ms. Damian is active in child advocacy and is a founder of the non-profit Educate Tomorrow. Ms. Damian currently serves as Chair of the Board of the SEED School of Miami. Ms. Damian received numerous awards for her service including The 2011 Pro Bono Award for Child Advocacy from the Dade County Bar Association and Eleventh Judicial Circuit; The 2005 Florida Bar Association Young Lawyer Division Pro Bono Award; The Lawyers For Children 2005 John Edward Smith Award; 2006 Junior League of Miami, Inc. "Woman Who Make a Difference" award; "2007 Pepsi Everyday Freedom Hero Award" and "The Florida Bar President's 2008 Pro Bono Service Award, and the 2012 Florida Association of Women Lawyers (FAWL) "Mattie Belle Davis Award."

NOTABLE RECEIVERSHIP & CLASS COUNSEL CASES

FEDERAL EQUITY RECEIVERSHIPS

- Commodity Futures Trading Commission v. Daniel Fingerhut, et al., Case No. 1:20-cv-21887-GAYLES, for the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Commodity Futures Trading Commission v. Rajiv Patel, et al., Case No. 22-cv-80092-DMM, for the U.S.
 District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Federal Trade Commission v. On Point Global LLC, et al., Case No. 19-CV-25046,U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Securities and Exchange Commission v. Today's Growth Consultant, Inc., et al., Case No. 1:19-CV-08454, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, Court-Appointed Receiver.
- Commodity Futures Trading Commission v. Timothy Joseph Atkinson, et al., Case No. 18-23992-CIV- MARTINEZ/AOR-OTAZO-REYES, for the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Securities and Exchange Commission v. Onix Capital LLC, et al., Case No. 16-CV-24678-COOKE/ TORRES, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver (www. OnixReceivership.com)
- Federal Trade Commission v. Consumer Collection Advocates, et al., Case No. 14-62491-CIV- BLOOM,
 U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver (www. ccareceivership.com)
- Commodity Futures Trading Commission v. Worth Group, Inc., et al., (Case No. 9:13-cv-80796-KLR), U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Court-Appointed Corporate Monitor (www. worthmonitor.com)
- Commodity Futures Trading Commission v. Hunter Wise Commodities, LLC et al., Case No. 9:12-cv-81311-DMM, U.S District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Court-Appointed Corporate Monitor
- Securities and Exchange Commission v. We the People Inc. of the United States, Case No. 2:13-cv-14050-JEM, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Securities and Exchange Commission v. Aubrey Lee Price et al.; PFG LLC et al., Case No. 1:12-cv-2296-TCB, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Securities and Exchange Commission v. Marc Roup et al., Case No. 09-CD-01685, Western District of Pennsylvania, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Securities and Exchange Commission v. Sean Healy, et al., Case No. 1:09-CV-1330, U.S. District Court, Middle District, Pennsylvania, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Commodity and Futures Trading Commission v. Sean Nathan Healy, et al., Case No. 1:09-CV-1331,
 U.S. District Court, Middle District, Pennsylvania, Court-Appointed Receiver
- -- Securities and Exchange Commission v. Concorde America, Inc., et al., Case No. 05-80128-CIV-ZLOCH/SNOW, U.S. District Court, Southern District, Miami Division, Court-Appointed Distribution Agent
- Securities and Exchange Commission v. Bio-Heal Laboratories, Inc., et al., Case No. 05-21116-CIV-SEITZ/O'SULLIVAN, U.S. District Court, Southern District, Miami Division, Court-Appointed Distribution Agent
- Securities and Exchange Commission v. Charles O. Morgan, Jr., as Personal Representative of the Estate of Frederick J. Kunen, Case No. 07-22204-CIV-GOLD/TURNOFF, U.S. District Court, Southern District, Miami Division, Counsel for Receiver



NOTABLE RECEIVERSHIP & CLASS COUNSEL CASES

STATE COURT RECEIVERSHIPS

- National Concrete Preservation, INC. v. Mirador Master Association, INC., et.al. Case No. 20-25266 CA-01, Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Emergency Temporary Receiver
- Nick Norwood vs. Eurosport Active World Corp. and Ralph Hofmeier, Case No. 2010-058982-CA-01, Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Global Airways, LTD., et al. v. Aviation Precision Technology, Inc., et al., Case No. 2021-16946-CA-01,
 Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Las Estrellas Condominium Association, Inc. v. Joel D. Vega, et al., Case No. 15-2310-CA-08,
 Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- South Beach 18, LLC, et al. v. Tziyona Cohen, Case No. 18-023532, Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Court-Appointed Custodian
- Benjany Viera v. Klever Ontaneda, Case No. 12-5693-FC-04, Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County Florida, Family Division, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Estate of Robert Warren Meddoff, Deceased, Case No. PRC-130005341, Seventeenth Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida, Probate Division, Court-Appointed Curator
- Spenzi v. Green, Case No. 13-0225945 FC 04, Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County,
 Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Fannie Mae v. Residences at 107 Avenue, Inc., Case No. 11-14926 CA32, Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Wauchula State Bank v. Ridobel Gonzalez et al., Case No. 10-37523 CA-13, Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- U.S. Mortgage Finance II, LLC v. 3079 Aventura Lakes, LLC, Case No. 09-59337CA13, Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- BAC Florida Bank, a Florida Chapter Bank v. 1910 Island, LLC, et al., Case No. 09-59348CA13,
 Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- State of Florida Office of Financial Regulations v. Robert Kurland Mortgage Co., Inc., Case No. 05-11974 CA 30, Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- U.S. Mortgage Finance II, LLC v. 1406 Mystic Point, LLC, Case No. 09-59351 CA 13, Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Court-Appointed Receiver
- Amanecer Investment Company, LLC v. Amanecer Christian Network, Inc., et al., Case No. 06-7931 CA- 31, Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Counsel for Receiver

CLASS ACTIONS CLASS COUNSEL

- Floriano de Alencar Filho v. Mony Life Ins. Co. of the Americas, Ltd, Case No. 06-23093-CA-21,
 Eleventh Judicial Circuit in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, Court-Appointed Class Counsel
- Nancy Butler-Jones, and Hywel Jones, Nelson I. Del Toro, Mehmet Sahin, Linda Meyers, and William Davis v. Sterling Casino Lines, L.P., et al. Case No. 6:08-cv-01186- ACC-DAB, U.S. District Court, Middle District, Orlando Division, Court-Appointed Class Counsel
- Guillermo Santacruz, et al. v. Velocity Express Corporation, Velocity Express Leasing, Inc., Case No. 1:08-cv-21591-WMH, U.S. District Court, Southern District, Miami Division, MDL-Class Counsel

