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PRACTICE FOCUS

Property Tax Litigation

Real Estate Finance

Real Estate

Real Estate Acquisition &
Development

EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University, B.A.,
1965, *cum laude*

University of Virginia School of
Law, LL.B., 1968

BAR ADMISSIONS

American Bar Association

The Florida Bar

Hillsborough County Bar
Association

COURT ADMISSIONS

Florida Supreme Court

U.S. District Court, Middle
District of Florida

U.S. Supreme Court

Tom Henderson is one of the founding shareholders of Hill Ward Henderson and is vice-chairman of the Firm. Tom's active practice includes all facets of real property law with special focus on land acquisition and development, improved property purchase and sales transactions, finance, title insurance, and survey matters. Tom has had the privilege of representing many of the nation's largest homebuilders, apartment developers, and commercial developers in connection with their Florida operations and has been instrumental in the development of residential communities and retail centers throughout Hillsborough, Pinellas, Pasco, Hernando, and Manatee Counties.

Tom is a member of the Hillsborough County Bar Association, The Florida Bar, and the American Bar Association, and he is admitted to practice in all Florida courts and the United States Supreme Court. Tom is a long-standing member of the Executive Council of the Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section of The Florida Bar, and, in addition to being a Fellow of the American College of Real Estate Attorneys since 1990 and a Fellow of the American College of Mortgage Attorneys since 1979, he serves, and has served, on the boards and executive committees of numerous national and statewide legal organizations and councils.

In addition to his many honors, Tom has been inducted as a lifetime member of the Hall of Fame by *Florida Trend's Legal Elite*. He was listed by *Super Lawyers* as one of the "Top Ten Attorneys in Florida" two years in a row in 2009 and 2010. The international attorney ranking organization Chambers & Partners has honored him as a "Leading

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Attorney" in its *Chambers USA* publication every year since 2006, and Tom has been listed consistently in *Best Lawyers in America* since its inception.

Tom is an active member of many of Tampa's civic, charitable, and social organizations. He has served on the Board of Directors of the Hillsborough County Easter Seal Society, the Tampa Chamber of Commerce, the United Way, and The University of Tampa Board of Counselors, and he is a long-standing member of the Tampa Downtown Partnership Board of Directors. Tom is also an active member of Hyde Park United Methodist Church.

HONORS

- AV Preeminent® Rating, Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review
- Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyer, Real Estate (2006-2024)
- Chambers USA: Senior Statesperson, Real Estate (2025)
- Florida Super Lawyers (2006-2025)
- Florida Super Lawyers' Top 10 Attorneys in the State (2009-2010)
- Florida Trend's Legal Elite (2003-2022)
- Florida Trend's Legal Elite Hall of Fame (2009-2023)
- Super Lawyers Business Edition (2013)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® (1989-2026)
 - 2012 Tampa Real Estate Lawyer of the Year
- *TAMPA Magazine's* Top Lawyers (2023)
 - Real Estate Law

COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL

- American Bar Foundation
- Fellow of the American College of Mortgage Attorneys
- Fellow of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers

NEWS & INSIGHTS

Seventy-Seven Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Recognized in the 2026 Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*® and *The Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America
Firm News, 8.21.25

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Fifty-Eight Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Named to 2025 Florida Super Lawyers List
Firm News, 6.26.25

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys and Practices Receive 2025 Chambers Recognition
Firm News, 6.5.25

Eighty-Three Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Cited in The Best Lawyers in America 2025 Publication
Firm News, 8.15.24

Fifty-Seven Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Recognized in 2024 Florida Super Lawyers Listing
Firm News, 6.24.24

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys and Practices Receive 2024 Chambers Recognition
Firm News, 6.6.24

Eighty-Three Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Cited in The Best Lawyers in America 2024 Publication
Firm News, 8.17.23

Sixty-one Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Recognized in 2023 Florida Super Lawyers Listing
Firm News, 6.27.23

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys and Practices Receive 2023 Chambers Recognition
Firm News, 6.1.23

Florida Trend Names Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys to 2023 Florida Legal Elite Hall of Fame
Firm News, 3.20.23

Twenty-Six Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Recognized in TAMPA Magazine's 2023 Top Lawyers
Firm News, 1.3.23

Eighty-One Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Cited in The Best Lawyers in America 2023 Publication
Firm News, 8.18.22

61 Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Recognized in 2022 Florida Super Lawyers Listing
Firm News, 7.1.22

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Florida Trend Names Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys to 2022 Hall of Fame and Legal Elite
Firm News, 6.29.22

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys and Practices Receive 2022 Chambers Recognition
6.1.22

Seventy Six Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Cited in The Best Lawyers in America 2022 Publication
Firm News, 8.19.21

58 Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Recognized in 2021 Florida Super Lawyers Listing
Firm News, 6.23.21

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys and Practices Receive 2021 Chambers Recognition
Firm News, 5.20.21

67 Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Cited in The Best Lawyers in America 2021 Publication
Firm News, 8.20.20

Florida Trend Names Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys to Hall of Fame, Legal Elite, and Up & Comers
Firm News, 6.22.20

Fifty Nine Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Recognized in 2020 Florida Super Lawyers Listing
Firm News, 6.5.20

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys and Practices Receive Chambers USA 2020 Recognition
Firm News, 4.23.20

Florida Trend Names Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys to Hall of Fame, Legal Elite, and Up & Comers
Firm News, 6.24.19

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys and Practices Receive Chambers USA 2019 Recognition
Firm News, 4.25.19

2019 Best Lawyers Cites 46 Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys & Names Six "Lawyer of the Year"
Firm News, 8.16.18

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Florida Trend Names Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys To Hall Of Fame,
Legal Elite, And Up & Comers
Firm News, 7.2.18

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Named 2018 Florida Super Lawyers
Firm News, 6.25.18

Hill Ward Henderson Recognized By Chambers And Partners 2018
5.8.18

2018 Best Lawyers Cites 44 Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys & Names
Five "Lawyer Of The Year"
Firm News, 8.15.17

Florida Trend Names Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys to Hall of Fame,
Legal Elite, And Up & Comers
Firm News, 6.22.17

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Named 2017 Florida Super Lawyers
Firm News, 6.8.17

Hill Ward Henderson Recognized By Chambers And Partners 2017
Firm News, 5.26.17

2017 Best Lawyers Cites 44 Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys & Names
Two "Lawyers Of The Year"
Firm News, 8.15.16

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Named 2016 Florida Super Lawyers
Firm News, 6.15.16

Hill Ward Henderson Cited By Chambers USA
Firm News, 6.13.16

2016 Best Lawyers Cites 40 Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys & Names
Five "Lawyer of the Year"
Firm News, 8.17.15

Florida Trend Names Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys to Hall of Fame,
Legal Elite and Up & Comers
Firm News, 7.9.15

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Named 2015 Florida Super Lawyers
Firm News, 6.11.15

Hill Ward Henderson Cited by Chambers USA (2015)
Firm News, 5.19.15

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2014 Best Lawyers Cites 42 Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys & Names Three "Lawyer Of The Year"
Firm News, 8.30.13

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Named To The 2013 Best Lawyers Business Edition
Firm News, 7.15.13

Florida Trend Names Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys to Hall of Fame, Legal Elite and Up & Comers
Firm News, 7.1.13

Hill Ward Henderson Cited By Chambers USA (2013)
Firm News, 6.14.13

Best Lawyers In America
Firm News, 7.31.12

Florida Trend Names HWH Attorneys To Hall Of Fame, Legal Elite And Up & Comers
Firm News, 7.6.12

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Named To The 2012 Super Lawyers Business Edition
Firm News, 3.28.12

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Named 2012 Florida Super Lawyers And Rising Stars
Firm News, 3.20.12

NOTEWORTHY

Chambers USA ranks the leading lawyers and law firms across the USA. Legal rankings are based on in-depth market analysis and independent research, conducted by an experienced team of researchers. Individual lawyers are ranked in their practice area(s) based on legal knowledge and experience, ability, effectiveness and client service.

"Thomas is a great leader and also has great vision." Client quote, Chambers USA 2025

"Thomas is well respected in the industry; he's timely and detailed." Client quote, Chambers USA 2025

"Thomas is a leader and a skillful counselor." Client quote, Chambers USA 2025

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"Tom is an elite lawyer who is regarded as one of the best real estate attorneys in Tampa Bay." Client quote, Chambers USA 2024

"Tom performs fantastic work, pays fastidious attention to detail and is well respected in the industry." Client quote, Chambers USA 2024

"Tom is well connected, respected and very thorough in his approach. He is well known throughout the market for his efficient approach. Tom has extensive experience and is very good at making sure we know the levels of risk associated with each provision of a purchase contract." Client quote, Chambers USA 2023

"He has a strong depth of knowledge. He is meticulous and represents his clients vigorously." Client quote, Chambers USA 2022