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Attorney Robert G. Kerrigan was born in Highland Park, Michigan in 1943. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in accounting from Florida State University and became a Certified Public Accountant at Price-Waterhouse before beginning the study of law. In 1971, Mr. Kerrigan graduated with honors from Florida State University College of Law and began working with the Public Defender's Office where he was later named Chief assistant. In 1973, he went into private practice with an emphasis on criminal defense trial work.

In 1975, he formed a partnership with George Estess and began to concentrate on personal injury litigation. Mr. Rankin, Mr. McLeod and Mr. Thompson later became partners in the firm as it is presently constituted.

Robert G. Kerrigan was one of nine trial attorneys selected by Florida Governor Lawton Chiles to prosecute the State's claim for Medicaid Recovery against the tobacco industry. The case went on to become the largest civil settlement in the history of the United States at the time.

Mr. Kerrigan also served as the legal advisor to the minority caucus of the Florida Senate during the 2000 Bush v. Gore election.

Mr. Kerrigan has tried to verdict many capital murder and other criminal cases. He has obtained numerous multi-million dollar jury verdicts in civil cases including a national top 100 jury verdict in 2005 (25 million dollars for the death of a 17 year old young woman.)

Specialty Areas of Practice



Personal Injury
Medical Malpractice
Wrongful Death
Nursing Home Litigation
Products Liability
Human Rights
Bad Faith Litigation

Awards and Recognition



Named as one of the Top 500 attorneys in America by Law Dragon

Florida Bar Pro Bono Service Award 1984

Tobias Simon Pro Bono Service Award 2011

Plaintiff's 2014 Lawyer of the Year in Pensacola

Recognized in the Best Lawyers in America for 15 years

Named Lawyer of the Year in N.W. Florida 3 times, the latest one announced for 2019.

The highest legal and ethical rating by Martindale Hubbell.