

## Catherine Combee

Name	Catherine Combee
Judicial position sought	Circuit judge
Circuit Jurisdiction	10th Circuit, Group 27
Florida Bar number	468710
Date admitted to The Florida Bar	July 2001
Years in legal profession	23
Jurisdiction(s) in which admitted to practice and date (s) admitted	Tenth
Are you a current or former judge?	Yes
Please list the judicial position, jurisdiction, and years of your current and/or prior judicial experience.	Circuit Judge 2013 to present
Number of evidentiary hearings, trials and/or oral arguments over which you have presided:	200+
Number of jury trials over which you have presided:	100
Number of bench trials over which you have presided:	80
<p><b>In 400 words or fewer, without discussing any issue that has or may come before you as a judge, explain why you would be a good judge. Consider what relevant skills and experience you gained from previous employment that you bring to the bench.</b></p> <p>It has been an honor to serve as a Circuit Court Judge. In each case that comes before me I listen to all sides determine the legal issues and rule based on the law. My legal experience includes both trial and appellate cases and has prepared me to research, rule and write orders on significant and intricate legal issues. Additionally, my prior experience as upper management in a national clinical laboratory business affords me the experience to deal with individuals from all walks of life.</p>	
Prejudicial Area(s) of Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Civil</li> <li>• Criminal</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>
List the primary areas in which you specialized had legal expertise and allocate a percentage of your practice to each area.	Prior to my judicial experience I practice in Family, Dependency and Criminal law.

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Number of evidentiary hearings, trials and/or oral arguments in which you participated as legal counsel:	31-50
Number of jury trials in which you participated:	30
Number of bench trials in which you participated:	30
Number of arbitration hearings in which you participated as legal counsel or hearing officer:	0-5
Number of administrative hearings in which you participated as legal counsel or hearing officer:	16-30
Percentage of your time representing plaintiffs:	50
Percentage of your time representing defendants:	50
Are you or have you ever been Florida Bar Board Certified in any area(s) of practice?	No
<b>UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE</b>	University of South Florida
Degree received:	B.S.
Academic awards, honors, recognition, leadership roles:	PH.D. from University of South Florida College of Medicine MS from University of South Florida MBA from University of South Florida Executive MBA program AA from Polk State College
<b>GRADUATE DEGREE</b>	University of Stetson College of Law
Degree received:	JD
Academic awards, honors, recognition, leadership roles:	Member Law Review Manager Law Review for one semester
Number of hours devoted to public work while in law school:	60
<b>WORK EXPERIENCE</b> Upload Resume	<a href="#">resume_2024.pdf</a> 490.26 KB · PDF
Please list activities, accomplishments, honors or leadership roles in pro bono, volunteer, public or military service:	Hearing Office for Polk County Volunteer Polk State College Distinguished Alumna Secretary Christian Legal Society Secretary Rotary Club Bartow

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NHRA Certified Riding Instruction for persons with disabilities  
Volunteer Victory Church  
President Lakeland Dressage Association  
President Polk State Alumna Association

Have you ever been found, either involuntarily or by consent, to have committed a violation of The Florida Bar Disciplinary Rules, the Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, or the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct for which the discipline imposed was one of the following: (a) public reprimand; (b) suspension; or (c) disbarment?

No

Have you ever been convicted or pled no contest to a crime involving dishonesty or moral turpitude?

No

Have you served in the military?

No