STEARNS WEAVER MILLER

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PRACTICE AREAS

Land Development, Zoning &
Environmental
Litigation & Dispute Resolution
Litigation - Land Use,
Environmental & Property Rights

OVERVIEW

Nicholas "Nick" Sanders focuses his practice on complex commercial litigation matters in state and federal court. He also has experience in a wide-range of complex land use, permitting and entitlement issues, including his involvement in administrative actions before state and local governmental agencies.

Areas of Concentration:

Litigation & Dispute Resolution

Business Torts

Contract Litigation

Real Property Disputes

Consumer Protections Defense

Land Use & Property Rights Litigation

Comprehensive Plan Compliance & Consistency Challenges

Constitutional Property Rights Issues – Civil Rights, Due Process, Equal Protection & Vested Rights

Dispute Resolution & Florida Land Use and Environmental Dispute Resolution Act (FLUEDRA) Proceedings

Inverse Condemnation, Regulatory Takings & Eminent Domain

Defending Administrative Challenges to Environmental and Land Use Entitlement Authorizations

During law school, Nick served as a Judicial Extern to the Honorable Judge Charlene E. Honeywell at the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida. Nick also clerked with the litigation and land development, zoning and environmental departments in the firm's Tampa office.

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Musician and Live Performer, 2016-Present

NAMI on Campus, Treasurer, Fall 2022- Spring 2023

Community Associates Program, Fall 2022-Winter 2022

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Land Development News Update, Publications: What's Developing | Winter 2025

Stearns Weaver Miller News Update | February 2025

Government Affairs News Update, Land Development News Update, Publications: What's Developing | Winter 2024

Stearns Weaver Miller News Update | January 2024

Land Development News Update, Publications: What's Developing | Winter 2023

Stearns Weaver Miller News Update | March 2023

Government Affairs News Update, Land Development News Update, Publications: Hillsborough County Proposes Significant Updates to Comprehensive Plan

Stearns Weaver Miller News Update | July 2022

EDUCATION

J.D., summa cum laude, Stetson University College of Law, 2023

Stetson Law Review

National Order of the Scribes Award Recipient

Highest Grade Designation: Trusts and Estates, Advanced Legal Research, and Multistate Strategies

Dean's List

NAMI on Campus, Treasurer

B.S., magna cum laude, University of South Carolina, 2015

University of South Carolina Woodrow Scholar

Study Abroad: Cusco, Peru

ADMISSIONS

Florida