

Rick Sichta, Esq.

Legal: 2003-Present: Partner, Tassone, Sichta, Dreicer, LLC

Experience: State Appeals:

Ferrell v. State, No. SC07-92, No. SC07-1447, SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA, 2010 Fla. LEXIS 42; 35 Fla. L. Weekly S 53, January 14, 2010, Decided, Death penalty reversed. Inmate was on death row for fourteen years. Successfully argued that the failures of trial counsel regarding the lack of investigation into mitigation and the failure to object to even one of the clearly improper remarks left the state's case virtually untested and the Fla. R. Crim. P. 3.850 motion was granted with regard to the penalty phase.

Litigation:

State v. Tajuane Dubose- Penalty phase counsel

Education: J.D.- Juris Doctor, Florida Coastal School of Law – 2003

B.A.- University of Minnesota-Duluth- 2000 (cum laude)

Summer Abroad in Ireland and Belgium – Tulsa University -2002

Associations: Florida Bar Association- Member -2003 – present

Florida Supreme Court -2003 –present

11th Circuit Court of Appeals – 2006 –present

Florida Federal Middle District Court – 2006 –present

Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers – 2007 –present

Florida Bar, Appellate Practice Section – 2007- present

Jacksonville Bar Association – 2007- present

Jacksonville Bar Association, Young lawyers section 2007 – present

Commission on Capital Cases 2009 - present

Speaking Engagements:

University of North Florida – Homicide and Death Penalty Cases – 2008

University of North Florida- First-degree murder cases and Penalty phase issues – 2007

University of North Florida – Death Penalty Appellate Practice - 2006