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Richard B. Schwamm is a Senior Partner in the Orlando office of Haliczer Pettis & Schwamm. Richard mainly focuses his practice in the areas of medical malpractice, wrongful death, catastrophic brain injury, personal injury, and premises liability. As a seasoned trial attorney, he has held the role of first chair trial lawyer for some of the most complicated legal matters in Florida courts. With nearly 30 years of experience in the practice of law, this long-time legal rights advocate has dedicated his professional life to serving his clients.

Richard frequently speaks on numerous medical and legal issues, including obstetrical malpractice and the delivery of brain injured children, child safety, catastrophic injury, wrongful death, medical malpractice, hospital law, and significant injury cases involving newborns, toddlers, teenagers and their families. In addition, he routinely lectures on advanced trial strategies, litigation tactics, child bullying (including cyberbullying) and sophisticated trial technology. Richard has been an invited guest speaker for numerous nationally recognized institutions, including Harvard University, University of Central Florida, Medical Intelligence Corporation, the Contemporary Forum Speaker Series, and the International Child Safety Conference.

Richard joined HPS on the first day it opened for business in 1996, became a partner in 1999 and shareholder in 2001.

Richard lives in Winter Garden, Florida, with his wife and two children.

Admissions

- Florida
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida

Honors

- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers (ACTL)
- Master Member, The George C. Young American Inn of Court
- Rated, [Martindale-Hubbell](#), AV Preeminent®
- Listed, [The Best Lawyers in America](#) (2018-2024)
- Listed, Florida [Super Lawyers](#) (2010-2023)
- Listed, Top 50: 2021 Orlando [Super Lawyers](#) List (2021)
- Recipient, The Finley Project, Give Back Award (2020)
- Listed, [Florida Trend Magazine](#), Florida Legal Elite (2020-2023)
- Listed, [Orlando Family Magazine](#), [Awesome Attorneys: Malpractice Litigation](#) (2020-2024)

Community and Civic Organizations

- Member, Orange County Bar Association
- Member, [Florida Justice Association](#)
- Member, [American Association for Justice](#)

As a parent who is actively involved in his children's education and extra-curricular activities, Richard recognized the need to raise awareness of key issues affecting children's safety in the community and to ensure that children have safe places to play and grow. He currently volunteers his time and sits on the Board of Directors of the [Children's Safety Village of Central Florida](#), a nonprofit organization that serves to educate and advocate for making schools, homes and communities safer for children.

Education

- Stetson University College of Law, JD (1991)
 - Editor, *Stetson Law Review*
- Rollins College, BA (1988)
 - Member, Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Honor Society
 - Member, Varsity Crew Team
 - Selected, Who's Who in American Colleges and University

News

- "Trial Lawyer Eric Rosen Interview with Attorney Richard Schwamm: Medical Malpractice," Rosen Injury Law Podcast (November 2023)
- "What Is the Impact of Hospital Staffing Shortages?," *HPS Legal Alert* (December 2022)
- "Failure to Provide Preventative Care: A Rise In Responsibility," *HPS Legal Alert* (March 2022)
- "Medical malpractice case against cardiologist and his practice results in \$6.46M payment for patient's family," *Cardiovascular Business* (October 2021)
- "Haliczer Pettis & Schwamm Partners Win Nearly \$6.5 Million in Medical Malpractice Suit," *Daily Business Review* (October 2021)
- "Jury awards \$6.46 million: Largest ever in Volusia County wrongful death case, lawyer says," *The Daytona Beach News-Journal* (October 2021)

- ["Attorney Profile: Meet Richard Schwamm, Senior Partner at Haliczer Pettis & Schwamm,"](#) Broward County Bar Association website (August 2021)
- ["How Richard Schwamm Found His Voice,"](#) *Florida Super Lawyers Magazine* (2021)
- ["Why Are Multiple Experts Needed in Birth Injury Cases?,"](#) *HPS Legal Alert* (June 2021)
- ["Should We Expect a Medical Malpractice Litigation Surge in 2021?,"](#) *HPS Legal Alert* (May 2021)
- [Why I Advocate for Children,](#) HPS Video Series (February 2019)
- [Our Commitment to Helping Families and Children,](#) HPS Video Series (February 2019)
- ["Texting While Driving: An Avoidable Tragedy,"](#) *SunSentinel* (January 2018)
- [Child Safety During the Holidays,](#) HPS Video Series (December 2018)
- [Our Commitment to Anti-Bullying,](#) HPS Video Series (October 2018)
- [What is Wrongful Death?,](#) HPS Video Series (May 2018)
- [What You Need to Know about the Statute of Limitations,](#) HPS Video Series (May 2018)
- ["Hospital incident reports must be kept open to the public,"](#) *SunSentinel* (December 2017)
- ["School bullying and cyberbullying: We're not doing enough to stop it,"](#) *SunSentinel* (October 2017)
- ["Haliczer, Pettis & Schwamm, P.A.: The Plaintiff's Firm That Understands the Defense,"](#) *South Florida Legal Guide* (September 2017)
- ["Courtroom Technology and the Move Toward Digital Justice,"](#) *Daily Business Review* (August 2017)

Events

- [Best Practices When Crafting an Effective & Persuasive Closing Argument,](#) OCBA Bench Bar Conference, April 2024
- [The Networking Advocate: A Comprehensive Training for Lawyers on Personal Brand Development and Strategic Networking,](#) Public Interest Law Section of The Florida Bar, April 2024
- [A Litigator's Guide to Using Technology in Your Practice and in the Courtroom,](#) Lakeland Bar Association, March 2024
- [Lawyer Networking and Relationship Building,](#) OCBA New Lawyer Training Program, August 2023
- [Trial Lawyers Bootcamp – The Murder Trial of Al Capone for the St. Valentine's Day Massacre,](#) Orange County Bar Association, June 2023
- [Risks and Rewards of Legal Technology Used in Medical Malpractice Litigation,](#) The Florida Bar Trial Lawyers Section Advanced Medical Malpractice 2023 Seminar, May 2023
- [How to Use Technology in the Courtroom,](#) Florida Legal Services Trial Skills Training Session, February 2023
- [The Challenges of Uncovering Medication Error-Related Malpractice,](#) Orange County Bar Association, October 2022
- [Lawyer Referral and Relationship Building 101: How to Leverage Your New Introductions, Your Limited Time and How Technology Can Help,](#) Orange County Bar Association New Lawyer Training Program, August 2022
- [The Challenges of Uncovering Medication Error-Related Malpractice,](#) Broward County Bar Association, August 2022
- [Children's Safety Village Water Safety Awareness Event,](#) May 2022
- [Critique of Cross-Examination: Questions and Answers,](#) OCBA Trial Lawyers Bootcamp, May 2022

- [The Role of the Legal Nurse Consultant: A Trial Lawyer's Perspective](#), American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants (AALNC)'s Annual Forum, April 2022
- [Lawyer Networking and Relationship Building 101](#), Broward County Bar Association, May 2021
 - Orange County Bar Association, April 2021 and October 2021
- [Children's Safety Village Drowning Prevention Event](#), Sponsored by the Orange County Government, May 2021
- [The Rise from Associate to Senior Partner: A Personal Perspective](#), Broward County Bar Association, March 2021
- [A Conversation About Medical Malpractice Law](#), Sponsored by Mubarak Law, November 2020
- [The Tech-Savvy Litigator, Technology Tips When Working Remotely And In The Office](#), Florida Bar Trial Lawyers and Technology Committee, September 2020
- [Referral Marketing In This Time of Crisis](#), The Successful Lawyers Podcast, May 2020
- Using Technology in Your Litigation Practice and In the Courtroom, Broward County Bar Association, March 2020
 - Orange County Bar Association, March 2019
- [Expert Testimony-Daubert vs. Frye](#), St. Petersburg Bar Association Bench and Bar Conference, November 2019
- Perinatal Care & The Law, Contemporary Forums Conference, September 2018, Las Vegas, NV
- Pediatric Critical Care and Emergency Nursing, Contemporary Forums Conference, October 2016, San Diego, CA
- Hot Topics in OB/GYN Office Practice Litigation, Women's Health and OB/GN Nursing Conference, November 2015, New Orleans, LA
- Birth Injuries and the Law-Jury Education in Complex Obstetrical & Neonatal Malpractice Cases and the Impact of Social Media in Litigation, Medico-Legal Conference, October 2015, Las Vegas, NV