

Our Team Working Together

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J.D. Durant is a partner on the firm's Business, Finance and Tax, and Dispute Resolution Teams, residing in its Tallahassee office. He is a Board-Certified Specialist in Real Estate Law by The Florida Bar and focuses his practice on real estate and business transactions, commercial litigation, and family and appellate law.

J.D. has represented property owners and lenders throughout the southeast in all phases of residential and commercial real estate acquisition, development, and sale. He has experience with the bulk purchase, sale, and acquisition of condominium units, residential lots, and commercial real estate developments. J.D. has also handled the purchase and sale of various businesses in transactions that included secured financing and environmental reviews. He often assists clients in due diligence and financial feasibility investigations before real estate and business acquisitions. Drawing on his real estate and business experience, he focuses his family law practice on divorces with complex financial issues or large real estate holdings. He has represented high-net-worth clients in complex divorces throughout the state of Florida.

### Education

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J.D., *magna cum laude*, Florida State University College of Law

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B.S., Florida State University

### Bar Admissions

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Florida

Georgia

U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit

U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Middle District of Florida

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida

### Practice Teams

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Business, Finance & Tax  
Dispute Resolution

## Practice Areas

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Real Estate  
Complex Commercial Litigation  
Family Office  
Appellate

## Awards & Honors

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- Board Certified in Real Estate Law
- *Florida Super Lawyers* "Rising Star", 2014-2016, 2018
- *Martindale-Hubbell*, AV® Preeminent™ Rated

## Community Activities / Associations

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- Florida State University Law Review (Notes & Comments Editor and Legislative Editor)
- Moot Court Team

## In the News

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Berger Singerman Hires Ex-Boyd & Durant Real Estate Atty  
October 20, 2023

Berger Singerman Bolsters Its Real Estate Team and Family Law Practice with Addition of Tallahassee Attorney, J.D. Durant  
October 19, 2023

## Doing Business in Florida Blog

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New Florida Law Impacts Attorney Fees  
July 2, 2024

## Prior Affiliations

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- Boyd & Durant, P.L.
- Akerman LLP