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Samuel E. Cooley is a member of the firm's General Liability practice group defending a broad range of insurance defense case, including premises liability, automobile liability, construction litigation, first-party property, and professional liability cases. He has also practiced in the area of commercial litigation and intellectual property. Samuel joined Conroy Simberg after two years as an in-house counsel. Prior to that, he was a partner at a boutique litigation firm in Los Angeles, California after having served for nearly seven years at a prestigious mid-sized national insurance defense firm. After earning a Bachelor of Science degree in American Studies, *Magna Cum Laude*, from Vanderbilt University, Samuel moved to St. Petersburg, Florida, where he earned a Juris Doctor from Stetson University College of Law and served as an Associate Justice of the Moot Court Board.



Practice Areas:

- General Liability & Casualty
- Premises Liability
- Commercial Litigation
- Professional Liability & Services
- Intellectual Property
- Construction Litigation
- Insurance Coverage
- First Party Property & Coverage
- Employment Law

Admitted to Practice:

- All Florida Courts, 2007
- All California Courts, 2016
- Florida U.S. District Courts (Northern, Middle Southern)
- California U.S. District Courts (Central, Southern, Eastern, Northern)

Education:

- Stetson University College of Law, Juris Doctorate, 2007
- Vanderbilt University, Bachelor of Science in American Studies, *magna cum laude*, 2004

Professional Affiliations:

- American Bar Association
- Association of Corporate Counsel

Honors & Awards:

- Super Lawyers, Rising Star (2017-2020)
- 2020 USF Muma College of Business Post-Crisis Leadership Certificate
- 2007 Florida Public Defender College Best Advocate Award

- 2007 Hillsborough County Public Defender Awards for Professionalism & Pro Bono Work
- 2007 Stetson University College of Law Stephanie A. Vaughan for Excellence in Advocacy

Speaking Engagements:

- Lecturer, *Alcohol Related Liability*, Continuing Education Seminars, West Coast Claims Association