

# Justin A. Shifrin

#### Associate

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#### Practice & Industry Areas

- Private Wealth Services
- Probate, Trust & Guardianship Litigation

### Education

- University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, J.D., cum laude, 2020
- University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, MAcc, 2016
- University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, BSAc, 2016



## **Bar & Court Admissions**

• Florida Bar, 2020

## Overview

Justin Shifrin is an associate in Gunster's Private Wealth Services practice, focusing on probate, trust, and guardianship litigation. He devotes his practice to assisting clients with all aspects of trust and estate administration in addition to pursuing claims for breach of fiduciary duty.

Licensed as a Certified Public Accountant (inactive) in Florida, Justin practiced as an assurance associate with PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP prior to attending law school. As an attorney, Justin applies his extensive accounting, auditing, and business knowledge to sophisticated trust and fiduciary disputes.

Justin is a triple Gator; he attended the University of Florida, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting, a Master's degree in Accounting, and a Juris Doctor degree with concentrations in tax law, trusts and estates, and fiduciary administration. While in law school, Justin served as the executive articles editor of The Journal of Technology Law & Policy and as a member of the Florida Alternative Dispute Resolution Team. Justin

also earned a book award in Trial Practice, and volunteered for UF Law Student Recruitment and the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program.

Justin was born and raised in Palm Beach County and is an active member of the community. He has volunteered with the Palm Beach County Youth Court and the Office of the State Attorney for the 15th Judicial Circuit.

When not practicing law, Justin is a licensed private pilot and enjoys open water scuba diving, skiing, and fishing.

# **Publications & Presentations**

- "Rule 4-1.14: Diminished Capacity Resolving Diminished Clarity," *ActionLine* Vol. XXXXIV, No. 2, Winter 2023
- "Ignorance Isn't Always Bliss; Conflict of Interest Considerations for Estate Planning Lawyers," Fiduciary Administration, University of Florida Levin College of Law, 2022
- "Basic Probate Litigation," Continuing Legal Education, the Florida Bar, 2022
- "Careers in Probate Litigation," University of Florida Levin College of Law, 2022
- "Conflicts Quagmire: Recognizing and Addressing Fiduciary Conflicts," *Professional Fiduciary Council of Florida*, 2021
- "Estate Planning from Start to Finish," National Business Institute, 2021
- "HB 409, A Drastic Departure From Florida's Traditional Stance on Will Execution Formalities," *Journal of Technology Law & Policy*, 2020

## **Professional Associations & Memberships**

- Palm Beach County Estate Probate CLE Committee, 2023 2024
- Florida Bar, 2020 present
  - Tax Section
  - Business Law Section
  - Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section
    - Professionalism and Ethics Committee Member (2022 present)
    - Probate Rules Committee Member (2022 present)
    - Probate Law and Procedure Committee Member (2022 present)
    - Guardianship Committee Member (2022 present)
- Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (2012 present)
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, 2018-present

# **Civic & Community Service**

• Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County (2020 – present)

- Business & Professionals Cabinet (2023 present)
- Emerging Leadership Program Community Leader (2021 2023)
- Florida Blue Key, Member, 2014 present
- Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, Member 2011 present