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Ms. Whalen is an experienced civil trial lawyer and a leader in trucking litigation. She has first chaired many complex trials and obtained over 35 multi-million-dollar verdicts and settlements for her clients. She is Past Chair of the American Association for Justice Trucking Litigation Group and was the second woman in the history of the organization to lead this prestigious group of attorneys who handle complex and catastrophic cases arising from trucking accidents.

Ms. Whalen has achieved an AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell, the highest rating available from the nation's oldest guide to the legal profession, for her legal ability and ethical standards. She has consistently been selected by *The Best Lawyers in America* in the field of personal injury, LawDragon 500 Leading Plaintiff Consumer Lawyers, Florida "Super Lawyers" and as a "Top Lawyer" by the South Florida Legal Guide. She is also the recipient of several prestigious awards including the Justice Barbara Pariente Award which recognizes innovative women in law who demonstrate a commitment to promoting women in the legal community.

Ms. Whalen is admitted to the Florida Bar, the New York Bar, and the Connecticut Bar. In addition to her successful law practice, she has held several esteemed leadership roles. She currently holds positions in both statewide and national trial lawyer organizations, serving on the Board of Governors of the American Association for Justice (AAJ) and the Florida Justice Association.

She is a past President of the Florida Association for Women Lawyers (FAWL), Florida's statewide women's bar association. She has also served as a two-term President of the Palm Beach County Chapter of FAWL and was selected as a 2020 Leader in the Law. Ms. Whalen is a past Chair and Co-Founder of the Florida Justice Association Women's Caucus and a past Chair of the Florida Bar Convention. Additionally, she has served as an appointed member to the Florida Bar Grievance Committee, which included service as its' Chairperson. In 2017 and 2018, she was nominated for the Women in Leadership Award in the Private Sector category by the Executive Women of the Palm Beaches. The annual awards ceremony honors women who demonstrate excellence in their chosen professions or who have made a significant difference in Palm Beach County through their volunteer work.

Ms. Whalen is a frequent lecturer sharing her knowledge and expertise with trial lawyers throughout the country. She has also been active in establishing a number of seminars and popular legal education programs designed specifically for women lawyers. She has also authored numerous articles in national and international legal publications.

Ms. Whalen's other professional associations include the Palm Beach County Justice Association, the National Association of Women Lawyers, the Palm Beach County Bar Association, the National Women's Political Caucus and the National Association of Female Executives. Ms. Whalen received her Juris Doctorate from Whittier College School of Law and her undergraduate degree from The Catholic University of America.