

## James F. Heekin

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**Jim Heekin** focuses on healthcare, corporate and mergers and acquisitions.

Jim represents business clients in the healthcare and related organizations. He also regularly represents clients in aviation law matters, including aircraft purchases and sales, as well as financing and leases.

### Recognitions

- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated
- Central Florida Business Aviation Association, Member of the Year Award, 2023
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Health Care, 2007-2024
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Orlando Health Care Law Lawyer of the Year, 2013, 2016, 2019
- Florida Legal Elite, *Florida Trend*, 2006
- Best Lawyers Annual Guide to Health Care Law, *Corporate Counsel*
- *Florida State University College of Law Review*

### Community Activities

- Orlando Repertory Theatre, past Chairman, member of the Board of Directors
- Orlando Apopka Airport Association, President and member of the Board of Directors
- University of Central Florida Foundation, past member of the Board of Trustees
- Shands Hospital at University of Florida, past member of the Board of Directors
- University of Florida Athletic Association, past member of the Board of Directors

### Practices & Industries

Aircraft Transactions  
Aviation & Aerospace  
Business Services  
Corporate  
Healthcare  
Mergers & Acquisitions  
Nonprofit Organizations  
Private Wealth

### Admissions

Florida  
United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces  
U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit  
U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit  
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida

### Education

- Florida State University College of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1980
- University of Florida, B.S.B.A., 1971; Accounting

- Boy Scouts of America, past Troop Committee Chairman
- Junior Achievement of Central Florida, past member of the Board of Directors
- Orlando Shakespeare Theater, past member of the Board of Directors
- Board of Regents, State University System of Florida, past Chairman
- Florida Institute for Film Education, past member of the Board of Directors
- Florida State University Law Alumni Association, past President
- Bishop Moore High School, past Chairman and member of the Board of Directors

## Professional Certifications & Memberships

- American Health Lawyers Association
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- American Bar Association
- The Florida Bar, Health Law and Business Law
- National Business Aviation Association
- Central Florida Business Aviation Association
- Certified Public Accountant, Florida
- Private Pilot (ASEL)
- Remote Pilot (SUAS)

## News

Best Lawyers Recognizes 49 Lowndes Attorneys in 2024, Three Named Lawyer of the Year  
08.17.2023 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

46 Lowndes Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers* in 2023  
08.18.2022 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Best Lawyers Recognizes 44 Lowndes Attorneys in 2022, Five Named Lawyer of the Year  
08.19.2021 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Best Lawyers Recognizes 44 Lowndes Attorneys in 2021, Two Named Lawyer of the Year  
08.20.2020 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Forty-Three Lowndes Lawyers Earn Recognition in Best Lawyers in America 2020  
08.15.2019 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Forty-Four Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Lawyers Earn Recognition in 2019 Best Lawyers in America  
08.15.2018 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Forty-Nine Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Lawyers Earn Recognition in 2018 Best Lawyers in America  
08.15.2017 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION