

## **Introduction to the 2025-2026 Edition**

*Trial Handbook for Florida Lawyers* is a practical trial guide designed to be kept at your fingertips, in the heat of trial. You'll find clear and concise treatment of every critical aspect of practicing trial law in Florida. It concentrates on both procedural and substantive aspects of trial. It analyzes the most up-to-date Florida trial case law, rules, and statutes. Proper authority is cited for every statement, including the most recent Florida and federal case law. From its sequential and itemized table of contents to its thorough legal concept/fact word index, it provides fast access to the basic principles of Florida trial law and the proper application of those principles.

Although every effort has been made to provide the Florida practitioner with the most current information, the publisher cannot guarantee the currency of these materials. Therefore, the practitioner must, as always, conduct thorough research into the state of law before advising the court or his or her clients.

The 2025-2026 Edition includes updates to relevant case law from both state and federal courts, as well as changes to applicable court rules. Highlights in this edition include:

- Updates to § 13:4 Competency of a child to testify
- Updates to § 14:18 Immunity provided by statute or rule
- Updates to § 17:7 Impeachment of one's own witness
- And much more...

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