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Related Practice Areas

- Antisemitism and Anti-Terrorism
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- Land Use
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Mohammad O. Jazil

Partner

Mohammad “Mo” Jazil is a partner with Holtzman Vogel. His broad litigation practice includes state and federal constitutional cases, financial disputes, environmental disputes, white-collar criminal matters, and government investigations. Mohammad has served as first chair in federal and state court trials. He has briefed and argued dispositive motions and appeals before the federal courts, state appellate courts, and state supreme courts. He has also briefed cases before the U.S. Supreme Court, though he has never argued a case there.

Chambers USA calls Mohammad “a very good thinker,” “fantastic,” and “an excellent litigator.”

Since the summer of 2018, Mohammad has represented two Florida Governors and four Florida Secretaries of State on election-related and redistricting matters before federal and state trial courts, the Florida Supreme Court, the Eleventh Circuit, and the U.S. Supreme Court. Notably, this work includes wins in nine federal cases related to Florida’s 2018 recounts; the successful defense of Florida’s felon re-enfranchisement program; federal and state-court decisions upholding Florida’s most recent congressional plan; and the defense of various election-related statutes.

Mohammad represents other public officials as well. He has represented two Speakers of the Florida House of Representatives on issues as varied as cannabis regulation and transportation policy. And he has represented Florida’s Surgeon General, members of Florida’s Boards of Medicine and Osteopathic Medicine, and the head of Florida’s Medicaid agency on health-policy issues.

Finally, Mohammad routinely represents companies and individuals on a variety of issues. This work includes pricing and tax disputes involving some of the country’s largest companies, commercial disputes where he has obtained and collected on eight-figure trial judgments, and criminal proceedings.

Education

- University of Florida, J.D., *cum laude*
 - 3-year merit scholarship
- University of Florida, B.A., *cum laude*
 - 4-year merit scholarship
- University of Florida, B.S., *summa cum laude*
 - 4-year merit scholarship

Bar & Court Admissions

- The Florida Bar
- District of Columbia Bar
- Supreme Court of the United States
- U.S. Court of Appeals (D.C. Circuit, Eleventh Circuit, Fourth Circuit, Sixth Circuit)
- U.S. District Court (District of Columbia, Middle District of Florida, Northern District of Florida, Southern District of Florida)

Representative Matters

- Represents farmers within the Everglades Agricultural Area on Everglades restoration issues, including the original, still-pending 1988 case filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida.
- Represents large shipbuilding companies on litigation-related matters, including maritime and insurance disputes.
- Represents large landowners in various property rights disputes.
- Represented a multinational oil company in litigation arising from allegations of price-gouging.
- Represented a multinational automobile manufacturer in litigation arising from a tax dispute.
- Represented major mining companies in Clean Air Act enforcement matters and land use disputes.
- Represented large municipal utilities in Clean Water Act and Clean Air Act enforcement matters, and rulemaking.
- Represented municipal interests from eight southeastern states on the Waters of the United States rulemaking.
- Represented both a local government and a telecommunications provider in litigation under the Telecommunications Act of 1996.
- Represented a majority African-American city and city commissioners in defense of a Voting Rights Act claim.
- Represented former U.S. Attorney General Ed Meese as an amicus curiae in a First Amendment case before the U.S. Supreme Court.

U.S. Courts of Appeals

- *League of Women Voters of Fla. Inc. v. Fla. Sec'y of State*, 66 F.4th 905 (11th Cir. 2023)
- *League of Women Voters of Fla., Inc. v. Fla. Sec'y of State*, 32 F.4th 1363 (11th Cir. 2022)
- *Jones v. Governor of Florida*, 975 F.3d 1016 (11th Cir. 2020)
- *Jacobson v. Florida Secretary of State*, 974 F.3d 1236 (11th Cir. 2020)
- *Sierra Club v. FERC*, 867 F.3d 1357 (D.C. Cir. 2017)
- *EME Homer City Generation v. EPA*, 795 F.3d 118 (D.C. Cir. 2015)
- *Florida Wildlife Fed'n v. EPA*, 620 Fed. Appx. 705 (11th Cir. 2015)
- *American Whitewater v. Tidwell*, 770 F.3d 1108 (4th Cir. 2014)
- *EME Homer City Generation v. EPA*, 696 F.3d 7 (D.C. Cir. 2012)

U.S. District Courts

- *Jacksonville Branch of the NAACP v. City of Jacksonville*, 2024 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 35894 (M.D. Fla. Mar. 1, 2024)
- *Vote.Org v. Byrd*, 2023 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 198233 (N.D. Fla. Oct. 30, 2023) (now on appeal)
- *League of Women Voters of Florida. Inc. v. Fla. Sec’y of State*, 4:23-cv-165-AW-MAF (N.D. Fla. 2023)
- *Norwegian Hull Club v North Star Fishing Co.*, 2023 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 178846 (N.D. Fla. 2023)
- *Namphy v. DeSantis*, 2020 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 187811 (N.D. Fla. 2020)
- *Nielsen v. DeSantis*, 2020 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 173158 (N.D. Fla. 2020)
- *Nielsen v. DeSantis*, 2020 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 171742 (N.D. Fla. 2020)
- *Nielsen v. DeSantis*, 2020 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 171773 (N.D. Fla. 2020)
- *Coffie v. Florida Crystals Corp.*, 460 F. Supp. 3d 1291 (S.D. Fla. 2020)
- *VoteVets Action Fund v. Detzner*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 242051 (N.D. Fla. 2018)
- *Sen. Comm. v. Detzner*, 347 F. Supp. 3d 1033 (N.D. Fla. 2018)
- *Ex. Comm. v. Detzner*, 347 F. Supp. 3d 1017 (N.D. Fla. 2018)
- *Alford v. Walton Cnty*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 173271 (N.D. Fla. 2018)
- *Alford v. Walton Cnty*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 215435 (N.D. Fla. 2017)
- *TowerCom v. College Park*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 126534 (N.D. Ga. 2013)
- *Cingular Wireless v. Tallahassee*, 856 F. Supp. 2d 1244 (N.D. Fla. 2012)
- *Florida Wildlife Fed’n v. Jackson*, 853 F. Supp. 2d 1138 (N.D. Fla. 2012)
- *United States v. SFWMD*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 163708 (S.D. Fla. 2011)

Florida Supreme Court

- *Advisory Op. to Att’y Gen. re Regulate Marijuana in a Manner Similar to Alcohol to Establish Age, Licensing, & Other Restrictions*, 320 So. 3d 657 (Fla. 2021)
- *Advisory Op. to the Gov. Re: Implementation of Amend. 4*, 288 So. 3d 1070 (Fla. 2020)
- *Hardee Cnty. v. FINR II*, 221 So. 3d 1162 (Fla. 2017)
- *SJRWMD v. Kootnz*, 77 So. 3d 1220 (Fla. 2011)

Florida Courts of Appeals

- *Byrd v. Black Voters Matter Capacity Bldg. Inst., Inc.*, 375 So. 3d 335 (Fla. 1st DCA 2023)
- *Semmer v. Lee Cnty.*, 2023 Fla. App. LEXIS 7296 (Fla. 1st DCA 2023).
- *Byrd v. Black Voters Matter Capacity Bldg. Inst., Inc.*, 339 So. 3d 1070 (Fla. 1st DCA 2023)
- *Oliva v. Fla. Wildlife Fed’n*, 281 So. 3d 531 (Fla. 1st DCA 2019)
- *Lundquist v. Lee Cnty.*, 236 So. 3d 994 (Fla. 1st DCA 2017)
- *Villages of Avignon v. Burton*, 215 So. 3d 127 (Fla. 2d DCA 2017)
- *Putnam Cnty. Environmental Council v. SJRWMD*, 197 So. 3d 558 (Fla. 1st DCA 2016)
- *Save the Homosassa v. DEP*, 169 So. 3d 1168 (Fla. 1st DCA 2015)
- *DOR v. General Motors*, 104 So. 3d 1191 (Fla. 1st DCA 2012)

- *Exxon Mobil v. DACS*, 50 So. 3d 755 (Fla. 1st DCA 2010)

News & Insights

- Mo Jazil Speaks at RNLA Election Law Seminar on Redistricting Cases
- Mo Jazil Speaks at Federalist Society's 2024 Florida Young Lawyers Summit
- Six Holtzman Vogel Partners Listed in 2024 Florida Super Lawyers
- Holtzman Vogel Recognized by Chambers USA 2024 in Political Law, Environmental Law and Land Use
- Mo Jazil to Speak at the Florida Law Review 2024 Dunwoody Lecture
- Mo Jazil to Speak at AAPC Southern Regional Conference on Election 2024 Insights
- Holtzman Vogel Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America 2024
- Ten Holtzman Vogel Attorneys Listed by Super Lawyers 2023
- Holtzman Vogel Recognized by Chambers USA for Political Law, Environmental Law and Land Use
- Holtzman Vogel Announces Florida Expansion

Community Involvement

- First District Court of Appeal Judicial Nominating Commission (2018 – 2022), Past Chair and Vice Chair, Nominated by the Florida Bar and Appointed by Governor Rick Scott
- Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel (2019), Appointed by Chief Judge Walker of the Northern District of Florida
- American Bar Association
- American Chemical Society (past member)
- Beta Gamma Sigma
- Connect Florida Class I

Awards & Recognition

- *Chambers USA*, 2020-2024
- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2022-2025
- *Florida Super Lawyers*, "Rising Star," 2013-2024
- *Florida Trend Magazine*, "Up & Coming Legal Elite," 2018-2022
- Ocala Truck and Tractor Pull, First Place Finish, 2016