

PAMELA COTHRAN MARSH

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OVERVIEW: Leading investigations/First Amendment lawyer and executive with over 25 years of experience, including serving as a Senate-confirmed U.S. Attorney, first chair trial lawyer, and Executive Director of free speech and open government organization.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

First Amendment Foundation, Tallahassee, FL

President/Executive Director, December 2019 – June 2022

- Lead Foundation in formulating and advocating policy positions promoting freedom of press and speech. Current focus includes fighting efforts to restrict protections in Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act.
- Advance Foundation positions by communicating with national and local journalists and officials, including regular appearances on TV and radio.
- Manage all aspects of Foundation, including development, education efforts, fundraising events, and executing decisions of the Foundation.
- Create and carry out messaging, collaborations with other non-profits, communications, and branding.
- Published Foundation's first Annual Report. Increased contributions by 188% in 2020. Secured five times more grant funding in 2020 over 2019.

Ausley McMullen, Tallahassee, FL

Shareholder, July 2017 – December 2019

- Represented clients in internal investigations, compliance programs, white collar defense, crisis management, and business litigation.
- Defended client in criminal trial charging four defendants to a full jury acquittal in Macon, Georgia, in 2018.

Berger Singerman, Tallahassee and Miami, FL

Partner, March 2016 – June 2017

- Represented clients in compliance, internal investigations, white collar defense, and business litigation.

United States Attorney's Office, Northern District of Florida

United States Attorney, June 2010 – September 2015

- Nominated by President Barack Obama to serve as United States Attorney. Confirmed by U.S. Senate, June 22, 2010.
- Supervised 35 Assistant U.S. Attorneys and 43 support staff working in the areas of criminal prosecution, civil litigation, and appellate litigation. Approved all civil settlement agreements. Reviewed all prosecution memoranda proposing criminal charges and approved indictments presented to grand juries.
- Appointed by U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder to serve on the Attorney General's Advisory Committee ("AGAC") (January 2012 – January 2014).
- Chaired AGAC's Stolen Identity Refund Fraud Working Group, streamlining prosecution of IRS identity theft and refund fraud cases.
- Served on AGAC Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and National Security and on the White Collar Criminal Subcommittee.

Akerman LLP, Tallahassee, FL

Of Counsel, August 2006 – June 2010

- Focused on Appellate Litigation and White Collar Criminal Defense.

United States Attorney's Office, Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division

Assistant United States Attorney, June 1999 – July 2006

Economic Crimes Section (2005 – 2006)

Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force/Narcotics Section (2003 – 2005)

Major Crimes Section (2001 – 2003)

Asset Forfeiture (1999 – 2001)

- Tried 18 cases. Won 17 guilty verdicts and one hung jury. Secured hundreds of guilty pleas.
- Led numerous criminal investigations, indictments, and prosecutions, involving complex conspiracies, tax and other frauds, counterfeiting, child pornography, and money laundering.
- Seized and forfeited millions of dollars in assets.
- Extradited defendants from foreign countries.
- Provided and sought information via Multilateral Assistance Treaty.
- Received award for prosecution of cases arising from Operation Panama Express North, 2002-2006, from the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force.
- Received three awards for health care fraud prosecution in 2003, and child pornography prosecution and forfeiture in 2001 from the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Akerman LLP, Tampa, FL

Associate, August 1997 – June 1999

Annis, Mitchell, Cockey, Edwards & Roehn PA, Tampa, FL

Associate, September 1996 – August 1997

U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, Wilmington, DE

Law Clerk to The Honorable Jane R. Roth, August 1995 – August 1996

Jenner & Block LLP, Washington, DC

Associate & Law Clerk, September 1994 – August 1995

Professional Ballet Dancer

Texas Ballet Theatre: 1985-1988

Pacific Northwest Ballet: 1983 – 1985

EDUCATION:

Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC

Degree: Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, February 1995

Honors: Managing Editor, *The Georgetown Law Journal*, 1993 – 1994

Milton A. Kaufman Award for work on *The Georgetown Law Journal*

Publications: *Prosecutorial Discretion*, Criminal Procedure Project, 82 Geo. L.J. 771 (1994)

Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service, Washington, DC

Degree: Bachelor of Science in Foreign Service, *magna cum laude*, May 1991

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, Dean's List

OTHER:

- Member of the Florida, U.S. Supreme Court, and numerous federal appellate and district courts.
- Founding President and Member of Board of Directors, *Survive and Thrive Advocacy Center* (dedicated to combatting human trafficking and providing support to survivors) (September 2015 – May 2018).
- Secretary of Board of Directors, *The Tallahassee Ballet* (2015 – 2019).
- Member, *Florida Missing Children's Day Foundation* (2018 – 2021).
- Selected as one of the Tallahassee Democrat's "25 Women You Need to Know" (2016).