

Christopher Knopik

Chief Legal Officer and General Counsel



Experience

Christopher S. Knopik chose to enter the field of law because he wanted to help others and saw the legal profession as an effective avenue to pursue that goal. He joined Laser Spine Institute with more than 30 years' experience as a trial and litigation lawyer. As Chief Legal Officer and General Counsel for Laser Spine Institute, Chris brings a unique perspective to his position because of his prior experience of representing patients. He understands the patient's point of view and strives, whenever possible, to find solutions that benefit both parties.

He previously founded and managed Knopik Deskins Law Group, a firm of trial lawyers in Tampa, Florida. Chris is experienced in medical negligence litigation, personal injury litigation, products liability litigation and commercial litigation in state and federal courts. He previously served as a plaintiffs' attorney for many years, as national trial counsel for one of the world's largest product manufacturers and as defense trial counsel for three of Florida's largest electric utilities.

Chris graduated from the University of Virginia Law School and is board certified in civil trial advocacy by the Florida Bar. He is also certified in civil trial advocacy by the American Board of Trial Advocates and the National Board of Legal Specialty Certification. Martindale-Hubbell has given Chris the highest possible legal and ethical rating. He is a well-respected attorney in the Tampa Bay area, gaining recognition as one of "Tampa's Best Lawyers" by the Tampa Bay Business Journal.

Chris values working in an organization that supports a unique company culture such as Laser Spine Institute's. He is skilled in working as part of a team and has been recognized by his peers and Florida Trend magazine as a member of "Florida's Legal Elite." Chris' family is his pride and joy, and he considers his four children to be his proudest accomplishment.