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McKeen & Associates announces the addition of attorney **David T. Tirella** as an associate.

Tirella brings 25 years civil and criminal trial experience to his new position at McKeen, where he will focus on medical malpractice, personal injury and tort litigation.

Before joining McKeen, Tirella practiced civil law in Tampa as partner in the law firm Eaton & Tirella, and before that, as senior trial associate at Cohen, Jayson, & Foster. Tirella began his legal career as a Tampa assistant state attorney and then started his private practice where he handled criminal defense cases and began to branch out into plaintiff's personal injury cases.

Tirella has received numerous recognitions for his work, including his selection in Legal Leaders as one of "Tampa's Top Rated Lawyers" under the medical malpractice category from 2012-2014; and the Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers 2012-2014. He earned a "Superb 10" AVVO rating last year.

Tirella was an adjunct professor of law at Stetson University College of Law and at Thomas M. Cooley Law School of Tampa.

Tirella has relocated to Birmingham.