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# W. Matthew Kowtko

**HONOREE** Criminal Defense**BIO**

Matthew is the owner-managing attorney at the Kowtko Law Group, P.A. Matt's approach to the practice of law combines pragmatism, innovation, dependability, dedication, and tenacity; he's a persuasive and successful trial lawyer, as well as an assertive and decisive negotiator. Clients describe him as compassionate, knowledgeable, professional, responsive, and a bull in the courtroom with a keen ability to think clearly and rapidly under pressure. Matthew is a Georgia native and has been helping Sarasota families through some of the most difficult times of their lives since 2014. Legal issues often devolve and quickly become emotionally draining, consuming a person's time, energy, and financial resources; being a family man helps Matt empathize with the stress and the emotional toll that come with dealing with the important and sensitive issues involved in family and criminal law matters, making it easy for him to be a good listener, compassionate, patient, and understand his client's needs. From the moment you meet Matt he will educate you in the process of your family or criminal law case, and him and his team will start working immediately to build an individualized approach and case strategy tailored to your unique situation to defend and protect your rights.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

- Sarasota Women's Resource Center
- Legal Aid of Manasota
- Sarasota Pregnancy Center

**MISSION**

To deliver superior, efficient, and effective legal services by taking a genuine interest in our client's needs and objectives, working closely with them to achieve their goals while educating them in the practicalities and complexities of the law. As a firm we will maintain the highest ethical and professional integrity standards while fostering open communication, mutual respect, initiative, innovation, loyalty, and teamwork.

**TESTIMONIALS**

"Matt is extremely knowledgeable, and his negotiation skills are outstanding. He helped us walk away with exactly what we came to him for. The outcome truly changed our lives."  
—Shannon Belt

"They give great advice, they don't overcharge, and they know what they're doing. If you are looking for a pitbull attorney, for a reasonable price, this is the right place."  
—Sandy Bennett

**LAW FIRM****FLORIDA BAR  
DATE OF ADMISSION**2014, Middle District  
of Florida Court**PRACTICES**Family and Criminal  
Lawyer**DEGREES**Barry University School of Law,  
—Juris Doctor, Top 33%Georgia State University,  
Bachelor of Arts in Business  
Administration & Business Economics