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## Practice Areas:

- [Commercial Litigation](#)
- [Financial Frauds](#)
- [Trial Practice](#)

Gil Ben-Ezra, a partner with Meland Budwick, P.A., investigates and litigates complex claims for a wide range of clients, including trustees, fiduciaries, whistleblowers, shareholders, and victims of fraud. He has played a pivotal role in securing over \$100 million in client recoveries from national and international accounting firms, auditors, banks, an Am Law 100 law firm, and industry-leading defendants.

Prior to joining the firm, Gil conducted internal investigations of fraud, corruption, bid-rigging, money laundering, and other matters for large, multinational clients, including “supermajor” oil and leading aerospace and defense companies.

Gil is fluent in Hebrew.

## EDUCATION

- University of Florida, B.A. Political Science and History, cum laude, 2012
- George Washington Law School, J.D., with Honors, 2015



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## BAR ADMISSIONS

- Florida
- Southern District of Florida

## MEMBERSHIPS

- Committee and Board Member, Young Leadership Jewish Federation
- Alumni Board Member, Miami Country Day School

## LANGUAGES

- Hebrew

## AWARDS & RANKINGS

- The Best Lawyers in America, "Ones to Watch," 2024-2026

## PUBLICATIONS & PANELS

- Speaker, "Held to Account: Civil Liability and Ponzi Schemes," LSU Fraud & Forensic Accounting Conference, 2025
- Co-author, Technologies & Game Developers: The Next Targets for the Plaintiff's Product Liability Bar, 2017

## Representative Matters

### Financial Frauds and Commercial Litigation

Meland Budwick serves as special litigation counsel to Christina Lovato, the Chapter 7 bankruptcy trustee in Reno, Nevada for DC Solar Solutions, Inc. and certain affiliates (DC Solar). Jeffrey Carpooff and others pleaded guilty to perpetrating a \$1 billion Ponzi scheme through DC Solar. The firm is prosecuting all litigation claims held by the trustee. To date, Meland Budwick, P.A., has achieved over \$100 million in litigation recoveries. This includes claims against financial institutions (for \$11.625 million & 9 million), financial professionals (for \$11.25 million & \$3.2 million), and



clawback targets (including a 100% \$19.5 million recovery from the IRS for income tax payments made on behalf of wrongdoers and \$5.75 million from NASCAR). Recently, the firm recovered \$20 million from Nixon Peabody, LLP, DC Solar's primary outside counsel, and secured a judgment against a transferee for \$2.7 million, successfully defending the ruling before the 9th Circuit Bankruptcy Appellate Panel. The firm continues to prosecute a \$33 million avoidance action against one of the largest privately held businesses in Nevada and a \$6 million claim against a former broker. In addition, the firm is pursuing a nine-figure tort claim against a national professional services firm and a seven-figure claim against an attorney who pled guilty to laundering millions of dollars following the collapse of the fraud.

## Commercial Litigation

Successfully represented a web-based prediction platform and Israeli national in defense against action alleging breach of contract, fraud, wire fraud, and securities fraud.

## Appellate Practice

Successfully represented Bivens plaintiff's appeal of Judgment Notwithstanding Verdict to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.

## News

- [13 Meland Budwick Attorneys Listed in the 2026 Edition of The Best Lawyers in America®](#) (Aug. 21, 2025)
- [Gil Ben-Ezra Speaks at LSU's 2025 Fraud & Forensic Accounting Conference](#) (Aug. 07, 2025)
- [Meland Budwick, P.A. Announces Gil Ben-Ezra Elevated to Partner and William White IV to Of Counsel](#) (Jan. 16, 2025)
- [13 Meland Budwick Attorneys Listed in the 2025 Edition of The Best Lawyers in America®](#) (Aug. 15, 2024)
- [12 Meland Budwick Attorneys Listed in the 2024 Edition of The Best Lawyers in America](#) (Aug. 17, 2023)

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