

June, 2016

Alumnus selected as a Fellow in the Wm. Reece Smith, Jr. Leadership Academy

Zeshawn H. Mumtaz of [Behar, Gutt, and Glaser, P.A.](#) in Fort Lauderdale, FL has been selected as a Fellow in The Florida Bar's Wm. Reece Smith, Jr. [Leadership Academy Class IV](#). His one-year term is set to start on June 30, 2016. During his term, Zeshawn will follow a curriculum designed to enhance his professional development, expand his knowledge base and further develop his experiences as an attorney. He will attend Bar events, special educational programs, and have the opportunity to learn more about the inner workings of the Bar and the active roles attorneys have within the legal profession. The Academy's Mission is to identify, nurture and inspire effective leadership within the Bar and the legal community. His practice areas include debt collection and commercial litigation.

1978

Mitchell Ceasar, of Mitchell Ceasar, PA in Plantation, FL was inducted into the [Dr. Nan S. Hutchison Broward Senior Hall of Fame](#) on May 6 at the Woodlands Country Club in Tamarac, FL. Ceasar currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Democratic National Committee and served on the Board of Governors for the Shepard Broad College of Law for many years.

1985

Melinda S. Gentile, of [Peckar & Abramson](#) in Miami, FL, discussed "What Every Advocate Can Learn from Walking in the Shoes of an Arbitrator" at the American Arbitration Association Construction Conference: "Ahead of Schedule and Under Budget" in Miami, FL. Gentile handles all aspects of construction law and construction dispute resolution. She also handles government procurement and bid protests, contract disputes, construction liens, defects, impact, bond and insurance claims.

1987

Paul A. Nugent, has joined Bocchino & Bolin in Maitland, FL, as a partner focusing on medical malpractice defense.

Dan McCawley, of [Greenberg Traurig](#) in Ft. Lauderdale, FL has been named to the board of directors for Operation Lift Hope, a nonprofit organization dedicated to ending veteran homelessness in Broward County. McCawley focuses his practice on real estate matters.



1989

Laurie Hannan Anton, of Law Office of Laurie H. Anton in Cape Coral, FL, was sworn in and admitted to the Tennessee Bar. Her firm handles civil and commercial litigation and intellectual property law matters.

1996

Richard S. Vermut, has joined [Driver McAfee Peek & Hawthorne](#) in Jacksonville, FL, focusing on intellectual property law and information technology law practices.

2000

Joshua Dubin, with [Dubin Research & Consulting](#) in New York, NY was featured in the *New York Law Journal*, May 27, 2016. The article focused on the craft of jury selection and litigation strategy provided to lawyers by consultants.

2003

Yasir Billo, of [International Law Partners, LLP](#), in Hollywood, FL, was featured in a *Miami Herald* article entitled, "Believing today's anti-Muslim tide will turn."

2004

Shannon Joseph Sagan, of Shannon J. Sagan, P.A. in Belle Glade, FL, has been named to the board of directors of The Glades Initiative. Sagan focusses his practice on personal injury law.

2006

Andrew Black, of [Kaye Bender Rembaum, PL](#) in Pompano Beach, FL became a Firm Member. Black assists clients in all aspects of Community Association law, and has conducted many Board Member Certification seminars. He frequently speaks on various topics of interest to community association boards of directors, managers, and owners.

Lindsay Demmery is a managing partner with [Prestige Land & Law PLLC](#) and Shareholder with [Timothy H. Kenny, P.A.](#) both in West Palm Beach, FL. She is Board Certified in Real Estate Law and co-founder and speaker at the Board Certification Boot Camp. The Boot Camp was honored with an Award of Excellence in 2015 by The Florida Bar. Demmery is the current president of the Palm Beach County Florida Association of Women Lawyers and past president of the Palm Beach County Bar Association Young Lawyers Section.

2007

David B. Datny has joined the [Eltringham Law Group, PA](#) in Boca Raton, FL, focusing on personal injury law.

2008

Daniel Espino has become partner with [Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman](#) in Miami, FL. Espino practices in the local government division, land use and zoning group, and government affairs and procurement group.

Cheryse Burgos Santos (M.S. Health Law) has accepted the position of Associate Vice President of Managed Care at [Jackson Health System](#).



Cheryl White (M.S. Health Law) remains an independent consultant and is one of two inspectors for the Florida Board of Medicine Office Surgery program for the entire state. She is also a national surgical surveyor for the American Association for [Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgery Facilities](#) (AAAASF), which is the equivalent of Joint Commission in an ambulatory setting. She has worked as an in-house legal nurse consultant for [MacFarlane Ferguson and McMullen](#) in Clearwater and Tampa since 2000 and is a Co-Editor the 4th edition of the two-volume textbook for the [American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants](#).

2009

Susan J. Hamley (M.S. Health Law) just completed her dissertation entitled, "The Lived Experience of Adults Who Attempted Suicide as a Teen: A Phenomenological Inquiry". She graduated on May 7, 2016 with Ph.D. in Nursing Science from Barry University.

2012

Rebecca Rodriguez, an associate in [GrayRobinson](#)'s Miami and Fort Lauderdale, FL offices, was appointed vice-chair of the American Bar Association (ABA) Section of International Law's Customs Law Committee. Rodriguez focuses on international trade and regulatory compliance.

2013

Marie-Rose Chaperon (M.S. Health Law) began working for the [Advisory Board Company](#) in Washington, DC as a Revenue Cycle Director. She is also enrolled in the DHSc program at NSU and will graduate August 2016 with a Doctorate in Health Sciences with a concentration on Global Health.

Raul Valero has joined [McDonald Hopkins](#) in West Palm Beach, FL, as an associate focusing on real estate transactions.

2014

Fabio Giallanza joined [Salcedo Attorneys at Law P.A.](#) in Miami, FL. He works alongside founder Jorge Salcedo (JD 2005) and Clarissa Rodriguez (JD 2007). The firm focuses on corporate planning, real estate transactions, mergers and acquisitions and international tax planning. Giallanza's article *Best Hotel In Town!!! The European Legal Battlefield Over False Online Reviews* was published in the [National Italian American Bar Association News 2016 Volume 2](#).

Wendy West (M.S. Education Law) has completed her second year of Law school at NSU College of Law and is working as a legal intern at [Broward Legal Aid](#) in their Special Education Law department.

2015

Anaili Triana joined [Kelley Kronenberg](#) in Miami, FL, focusing on first-party insurance defense, property and casualty claims, and complex commercial construction disputes.

Renata Castro formed the [Castro Legal Group](#) in Pompano Beach, FL, focusing on immigration, corporate, family, and personal injury law.

Lauren Kerstetter joined [Pazos Family Law](#) in Weston, FL, as an associate attorney. While at NSU, Lauren worked in the Children & Families Law Clinic focusing on divorce, paternity, domestic violence, and dependency cases.

