



# FL Public Records Workshop Agenda



August 12, 2015

## MORNING SESSION

8:00-8:30	Introduction: Florida public records in the news
8:30-9:00	The 4 Golden Rules of Public Records
9:00-9:10	<b>Break</b>
9:10-10:20	Review of Florida Public Records Law: Fundamentals, Social Media and What's New
<b>10:20-10:30</b>	<b>Break</b>
10:30-11:30	Exempt and Confidential Information
<b>11:30-12:30</b>	<b>Lunch on your own</b>

## AFTERNOON SESSION

12:30-1:30	Group Exercises: review/redaction of reports
1:30-1:40	<b>Break</b>
1:40-2:10	Group Exercises: review/redaction of reports
2:10-2:20	Florida Public Records vs. Discovery
2:20-2:35	Presentation: State Attorney Jeff Siegmeister, Third Judicial Circuit of Florida
2:35-2:50	Presentation: Israel U. Reyes, The Reyes Law Firm
2:50-3:00	<b>Break</b>
3:00-4:00	Panel Question/Answer Session

## PANEL MEMBERS



### **Lt. Edward Claughton (ret.) President, PRI Management Group**

Ed Claughton, president of PRI Management Group, a public safety records management and IT consulting firm based in Coral Gables, FL. is a nationally recognized expert in law enforcement records management. Ed has over 20 years of experience in law enforcement and professional consulting work and after becoming a notable expert in the field founded PRI Management Group in 2008. Ed has provided training and consulting services to over 1000 agencies around the U.S. and has been an invited speaker for the International Association of Chiefs of Police along with various other professional associations.

Ed is a retired lieutenant from the Coral Gables Police Department where he previously commanded the police records unit. His successful turnaround of this area of the department and ability to obtain agency-wide compliance with Florida's public records law became a national model for law enforcement, presented to the International Association of Chiefs of Police. He has developed several training courses in public records for law enforcement focusing on the proper creation, maintenance, processing, release, retention and destruction of information according to legal standards. Ed holds a Master of Criminal Justice degree from Boston University, a Bachelor of Arts from Loyola University New Orleans, and a certificate in Florida Public Records from Florida State University.



### **Jeff Siegmeister, State Attorney, Third Judicial Circuit of Florida**

Jeff Siegmeister is a licensed attorney in both state and federal court. He specializes in criminal law both at the trial and appellate level. He has tried, as a defense attorney and a prosecutor, hundreds of criminal cases of all types from petty offenses to capital murder. Jeff is also an experienced appellate advocate in state court including handling appeals and extraordinary petitions and writs. He is licensed by the Florida Bar and is a member of the Middle District of Florida and US Supreme Court. His experience includes over 150 jury trials and extensive motion practice all over Florida.

As the State Attorney, he is the Constitutional officer charged with representing the State of Florida in Courts within the Third Judicial Circuit, a Circuit comprised of Columbia, Dixie, Hamilton, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee, and Taylor Counties. Although we primarily think of a State Attorney as being the Chief Criminal Prosecutor, he also represents the State in various civil matters and litigation.



### **Israel Reyes, Attorney and Former Circuit Court Judge**

ISRAEL REYES, is the Founder and Managing Partner of The Reyes Law Firm, P.A. in Coral Gables, Florida. He is a former Circuit Court Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida appointed by former Governor Jeb Bush on August 14, 2003. He retired on May 22, 2011, after approximately thirty years of public service as a judge, assistant state attorney, and police detective. Currently he is handling all types of civil and criminal litigation representing attorneys, receivers, commercial entities, and individuals. He is also an attorney's fees expert, arbitrator, mediator, insurance umpire, police legal advisor, and Special Magistrate. As a Special Magistrate, he presides over evidentiary and non-evidentiary hearings and depositions and conducts in camera inspections of privileged documents.

From 1980 until 1995, he was a police officer/detective with the Miami-Dade Police Department where (during various times) he worked in the Homicide Bureau, Media Relations Section, and Special Investigations Division's Criminal Conspiracy and Racketeering Squads. He served in the Organized Crime Bureau (where he was one of the principal investigators in the San Pedro corruption case), U.S. Secret Service Task Force, Police Applicant Background Investigation Unit, Firearms Training Section and Uniform Patrol Division.

Mr. Reyes has lectured on professionalism, public records law, anti-money laundering, racketeering, and criminal investigations to various legal groups and law enforcement agencies around the state.