

Mickey Smiley, Chris Searcy's Law Professor at Stetson University, and Sia Baker-Barnes present the award to Chris.

## Chris Searcy receives the Mickey **Smiley Award from Young Lawyers** Section of Florida Justice Association

At the 2009 Annual Convention of the Florida Justice Association, held June 17, 2009, at the Fairmont Turnberry Isle Resort and Club in Aventura, Florida, Chris Searcy was surprised with the presentation of the "Mickey Smiley Award" by the organization's Young Lawyers Section. The award recognized Chris' outstanding dedication to young lawyers across the state, and for being a pioneer with FJA. SDSBS attorney **Sia Baker-Barnes** made the presentation as chair of the Young Lawyers Section. Chris was attending the convention and participating in a CLE seminar with a presentation on opening statements.



## Karen Terry named **Top Lawyer: Class of** 2009' by South Florida Legal Guide

The South Florida Legal Guide's new Midyear 2009 Report recently named Karen Terry as a "Top Lawyer: Class of 2009." She was previously listed by the publication as a "Top Up & Comer," and is now recognized as a Top Lawyer for her experience and success. The publication reported on her 14 years of practice in personal injury, medical malpractice, and wrongful death cases. Her largest verdict was \$25.8 million in a 2007 case involving an incorrectly filled prescription.





David Sales

**Three SDSBS attorneys selected** for membership in The American Trial Lawyers Association, joining six previously selected SDSBS attorneys in ATLA







Earl Denney

Greg Barnhart







John Shipley

Cal Warrine

SDSBS attorneys Darryl Lewis, Bill Norton, and David Sales recently accepted invitations to join The American Trial Lawyers Association. The Association is a national organization composed of the top 100 trial lawyers from each state. Membership is obtained through special invitation and is extended only to those attorneys who exemplify superior qualifications of leadership, reputation, influence, stature, and profile as civil plaintiff or criminal defense trial lawyers. The Association's mission is to promote excellence in the legal profession through practical educational programs, networking opportunities, and publications dealing with current issues facing America's trial lawyers.

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The selection of these three makes a total of nine SDSBS attorneys selected for membership in The Association. They join SDSBS attorneys Chris Searcy, Earl Denney, Greg Barnhart, John Shipley, Brenda Fulmer, and Cal Warriner.

