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Darryl Lewis



Harry Shevin



Karen Terry

SDSBS firm and attorneys named among the top in area by 'South Florida Legal Guide'

The *South Florida Legal Guide* (2008 Annual Edition) again selected SDSBS as one of the top law firms in south Florida.

The publication also named nine SDSBS attorneys as top lawyers in south Florida – **Chris Searcy, Earl Denney,**

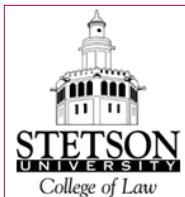
Jack Scarola, Greg Barnhart, John Shipley, Bill Norton, David Sales, Chris Speed and

Cal Warriner. The Guide selects the honorees by asking Florida's most highly-regarded

attorneys to nominate attorneys whom they most respect, and to whom they would refer a

friend or family member. Attorneys **Darryl Lewis, Harry Shevin,** and **Karen Terry** were

named by the Guide as "Top Up & Comers." ■



Chris Searcy inducted into Stetson University College of Law Hall of Fame

Chris Searcy was named as one of eight new members inducted by Stetson University College of Law into its Hall of Fame. According to the University's announcement, all of the individuals "have reached the pinnacle of their professions and have affected a profound positive influence" on the College of Law. At the age of 30, Mr. Searcy became the youngest lawyer in the U.S. to achieve a million-dollar verdict for a single personal injury lawsuit. In 2005, he was awarded the Perry Nichols Award for lifetime service, the highest honor awarded by the Florida Justice Association. In 2006, he was one of only two attorneys to receive the "War Horse Award" from the Southern Trial Lawyers Association. ■



Debbie Knapp becomes member of paralegal staff at SDSBS

Congratulations to **Debbie Knapp** on her recent promotion to the position of paralegal. Debbie joined SDSBS in 1976. Prior to her promotion, she worked as a legal assistant with Earl Denney. Outside of her SDSBS work, Debbie is a sergeant in the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO) Mounted Unit, performing search and rescue work, patrolling parks and neighborhoods, and attending demonstration events with her horse. She is also a member of the PBSO's Certified Emergency Rescue Team, an organization that responds to emergencies within the county. Debbie is a member of the Indian Trail Improvement District Trails Committee, and she and her horse are active in charity work. ■