Accolades



Chris Searcy was selected for membership in the Craig S. Barnard American Inn of Court LIV, in West Palm Beach, Florida. The American

Inns of Court is an association of lawyers, judges, and other legal professionals from all levels and backgrounds who share a passion for professional excellence. The Inns of Court have a national and international reputation as an organization that bridges the gap between formal law school education and legal practice by offering career-long continuing education in the Common Law tradition.



Brenda Fulmer is the recipient of the 2019 Weidemann & Wysocki Award presented by the American Association for Justice during its

convention in July 2019 in San Diego. The award recognizes AAJ members who have made outstanding efforts to support AAJ's Political Action Committee which is dedicated to the principles of the civil justice system.



Sia Baker-Barnes was elected to the Executive Council of the Trial Lawyers Section of The Florida Bar. The Executive Council is evenly divided among

judges, plaintiff lawyers, and defense lawyers. The Trial Lawyers Section is devoted to preserving access to courts, ensuring judicial independence, and providing timely continuing educational opportunities for its members. The Section also provides a forum for discussion on matters of interest or impact on trial practice in Florida, particularly concerning issues that arise with the Florida legislature.



Laurie Briggs received the Florida Justice Association's Cornerstone Award for the sixth consecutive year. The award recognizes FJA

members who have worked tirelessly to set the Cornerstones upon which the association is built and maintained. Ms. Briggs was also re-elected to FJA's Executive Committee. Ms. Briggs was also recently appointed to serve on the Student Eucation and Admission to the Bar Committee, under The Florida Bar.



On June 1, 2019, **Andrea Lewis** was sworn in to serve another term as a director on the Board of the Palm Beach County Bar Association.



Carter Scott was sworn in as chair of the Florida Justice Association's Young Lawyers Section. FJA is dedicated to strengthening and

upholding Florida's civil justice system and protecting the rights of Florida's citizens and consumers. And Mr. Scott was recently sworn in as a member of the State Bar of Georgia. ◆



David Vitale and **Boris Zhadanovskiy** were recently recognized by the National Trial Lawyer's selection of "Top 40 Under 40," a professional organization composed of top trial lawyers from each state who are under the age of 40. Membership is by invitation only, and is extended exclusively to those trial lawyers practicing civil plaintiff and/or criminal defense law. ◆



Olga Patterson has been appointed to the Paralegal Eligibility and Compliance Committee of The Florida Bar. ◆



Aracely Felix Mayorga has been appointed to the Florida Registered Paralegal Enrichment Committee of The Florida Bar. ◆





In July 2019, Lawdragon released its 2019 guide, "Lawdragon 500 Leading Plaintiff Consumer Lawyers." **Jack Scarola** and **Brenda Fulmer** were included in the recognition of the best of the U. S. plaintiff bar who specialize in representing individuals who have suffered injuries from accidents, pharmaceuticals, civil rights abuse, and other torts. Lawdragon also recognized **Chris Searcy** in the 25 members of the bar who have made Lawdragon's Hall of Fame. **♦**



Congratulations to **Ed Ricci** and **Matt** Schwencke for passing their Florida Bar Board Certification! ◆