



## Firm Overview



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The rationale for our founding in 1991 is even more relevant in today's fast-changing global community and with South Florida's growing stature as an international metropolis. Our founders saw a need in the legal marketplace for a high-end, boutique firm dedicated to a small number of integrated practice areas, where teamwork and a zealous commitment to our clients needs and problems was paramount.

More than 25 years later, our more than 60 attorneys are committed to the finest principles of traditional legal practice, while recognizing that there are innovative and forward-looking approaches to client problem-solving. We approach each of our matters with great respect for the traditional, and with enthusiasm for the innovative. As part of our culture, we abide by our founding [Unifying Principles](#) which stress ethical and humane behavior, and a business model that puts the client's interests and needs at the heart of our practice. As a result, we have been consistently recognized as an AV-rated firm, and have been selected for inclusion as a "Tier-1" firm in US News' Best Law Firm rankings in several of our core practice areas.

Many of our key partners began their careers and were trained at large international and national firms, and they are now leaders in the local community, with long-established relationships with South Florida's government officials, decision-makers, and judiciary. As a result, we offer our clients the legal acumen and influence associated with much larger firms, while providing the individual attention, personal client care, and cost-effective rates of a boutique firm.

Unique among our peers, our well-regarded local government practice gives us an appreciation and understanding of how government works. It is part of our DNA, and permits us to help business work well with government, and to help government with the "people's business."