

JOSEPH NATIELLO

PARTNER

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Joe Natiello is a former state prosecutor and a former Broward County Deputy Sheriff whose vast knowledge of law enforcement informs his practice in the areas of police operational and legal concerns, forfeiture litigation, liability defense and municipal government litigation.

As a former Assistant State Attorney in the Felony Trial division of the Office of the State Attorney for the 17th Judicial Circuit, Joe tried more than 35 jury trials to verdict.

Prior to practicing law, Joe served as a Deputy Sheriff in the Broward County Sheriff's Office for more than 24 years. He was a patrolman and a detective in the Homicide, Sex Crimes, and Major Crimes Units, and also worked as a Sergeant supervising child protective, sex crimes, and missing persons investigations. Joe is a graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy, and retired from the Broward County Sheriff's Office as an Assistant Chief/Executive Lieutenant in 2013.

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY

PRACTICE AREAS

- Code Enforcement
- Police Legal Advisement
- Asset Forfeitures
- Civil Rights and Torts

ADMISSIONS

Florida, 2012

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, 2013

INVOLVEMENT

- Broward County Chiefs of Police Association, Member, 2021
- Florida Association of Police Attorneys, 2016
- Broward County Bar Association, Bench and Bar Committee, 2016
- The Hundred Club of Broward, Board Member, 2015
- F.B.I. National Academy Associates, 2008
- Shepard Broad Law Center, law student moot court and opening/closing argument competitions volunteer judge, 2013
- Friends of the Museum of Discovery and Science

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- Florida *Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, 2022

PRESS MENTIONS

- *Magistrate Imposes Max Fines for Illicit Discharges*, Coast Breeze News, March 13, 2025
- *Miami-Dade seeks to change mutual aid agreement with municipal police forces*, Political Cortadito, July 16, 2024
- *April Code Magistrate's Findings*, Coastal Breeze News, May 9, 2024
- *Internal Affairs investigator removed for bias in Fort Lauderdale protest case*, SunSentinel, August 20, 2020

United States Supreme Court, 2016

EDUCATION

Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center, J.D., 2012

University of Florida, B.A., 1988