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elcome to the South Florida Business Journal's 2013 Book of Law. As you read, you will find a highly useful list of the region's 150 largest law firms, the top dispute resolution firms and the top litigation support accounting firms. It also offers short biographies and contact details for lawyers who hold key positions within our legal community. Included are managing partners for the largest law firms, general counsels for major businesses and the state attorneys for our three counties.

Other content provides insight into topics of interest to workplaces, such as preventing lawsuits that allege bullying, and trends that are affecting the practice of law, such as the changing nature of training and compensation for junior associates. We hope you find this special publication both an important year-round reference tool and an interesting read.

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Education: J.D.; University of Pennsylvania; B.S.E., Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania Career highlights:

Cole was instrumental in establishing the firm's Broward office more than 10 years ago, and now serves as its managing director. Through the firm, Cole has served as the city attorney for Weston and Miramar, and as special litigation counsel for numerous municipalities in

Palm Beach and Broward counties. He also protected local governments and voters by obtaining an injunction that removed a misleading question relating to property taxes from the January 29, 2008 ballot. He recovered \$8 million from Broward County on behalf of 11 municipalities related to the breach of an agreement that prevented the dual taxation of city residents for fire0-rescue services and drafted legislation, probey by the city of Weston and enacted by the Florida Legislature, that allowed municipalities incorporated after 1995 to appoint an equity study commission to revise their business license fees