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ATTORNEYS CLIFF SCHULMAN AND EDWARD GUEDES NAMED TO  
*BEST LAWYERS LIST*

Attorneys Cliff Schulman and Edward Guedes, partners with the law firm Weiss Serota Helfman Pastoriza Cole & Boniske, were recently named to the 2011 edition of *Best Lawyers*. Mr. Schulman was listed for Environmental and Land Use and Zoning Law and Guedes was listed for Appellate Law. In addition, Mr. Schulman was named "Lawyer of the Year" in the field of Environmental Law. For the first time, after more than a quarter of a century in publication, *Best Lawyers* designated "Lawyers of the Year" in high-profile legal practice areas in large legal communities. Only a single lawyer in each practice area in each community is being honored as the "Lawyer of the Year" for 2011.

Since its inception in 1983, *Best Lawyers* has become universally regarded as the definitive guide to legal excellence. Because *Best Lawyers* is based on an exhaustive peer-review survey in which more than 25,000 leading attorneys cast almost two million votes on the legal abilities of other lawyers in their specialties, and because lawyers are not required or allowed to pay a fee to be listed, inclusion in *Best Lawyers* is considered a singular honor. *Corporate Counsel* magazine has called *Best Lawyers* "the most respected referral list of attorneys in practice."

Mr. Schulman focuses his practice on land use and environmental law. He has significant experience in zoning, land use and comprehensive planning and extensive experience in land use matters in many of Florida's cities and counties. In addition, he is a Florida Supreme Court Certified Civil Mediator and AAA panel arbitrator. He is recognized for his knowledge in the complexities associated with environmental regulation and permitting, coastal regulation and permitting, FEMA regulatory issues, resource recovery, local government law, zoning and utilities. He has been frequently recognized by his peers as a "Best Lawyer in America," a Florida "Legal Elite," a "Top Lawyer in South Florida," and as a Super Lawyer, and has been listed in Chambers and in Who's Who Legal for Florida.

Mr. Schulman also serves as an Adjunct Professor at the University of Miami Law School, Master Program and is a member of the Alex de Touqueville Society of the United Way. He is Chairman of the Board of the Executive Committee of the Aventura Marketing Council and a former member of the Executive Council and Chairman of the Environmental and Land Use Law Section of the Florida Bar.

Mr. Guedes is a senior member of the firm's Litigation Division, and concentrates his practice in the areas of appellate litigation, employment and labor law and land use law. He is Board Certified by the Florida Bar in the field of Appellate Practice is a past chair of the Dade County Bar Association's Appellate court Committee and the Third District Court of Appeal Historical Society. He has also chaired and vice-chaired numerous sub-committees of the Florida Bar's Appellate Court Rules Committee. Mr. Guedes presently serves on the board of trustees for the Florida Supreme Court Historical Society currently and as a Group Leader for the Rosemary Barkett Appellate American Inn of Court. Mr. Guedes has been frequently recognized by his peers as a Best Lawyer in America, a Florida "Legal Elite," a "Top Lawyer in South Florida," and as a Florida "Super Lawyer." In 2008, he was nominated by the Florida Supreme Court Judicial Nominating Commission as a finalist for a vacancy on the Florida Supreme Court.

In addition to his legal experience, Mr. Guedes has worked with the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce and various non-profit cultural organizations in Miami, including serving on the Board of Trustees for Business Volunteers for the Arts, participating in the Chamber's Drug Free Workplace Committee, and serving as Co-Chairman of the Cultural Diversity in the Arts Subcommittee of the Cultural Action Committee of the Chamber. He was appointed by the Miami-Dade County Board of Commissioners to serve on the Miami-Dade County Independent Review Panel, which he chaired from 1997 until 2000. He also served as Vice President of the Miami Beach Hispanic Community Center, where he sat on the Board of Directors.

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