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Public Sector Experience

City Attorney

City of Dania Beach, Florida
2005 to present

I am the in-house City Attorney and have been serving in that capacity since October 1, 2005. However, I have served as the Dania Beach City Attorney continuously for over twenty (20) years, beginning in January 1998, when I was associated with the law firm of Brinkley Morgan, when the firm and I were selected at that time to serve as outside (City Attorney) counsel. In January, 2001, I transferred to the law firm of Weiss, Serota, Helfman, Cole & Bierman, P.L., where I continued to serve as the Dania Beach City Attorney until beginning full-time employment in that capacity with the City in 2005. As the chief legal advisor, I attend all City Commission, Planning and Zoning Board, Dania Beach Community Redevelopment Agency Board and Charter Review Board meetings. I serve as the legal advisor to the City Commission, City Manager, Department Heads, and monitor outside legal counsel (such as labor counsel and litigation matters).

City Attorney for City of Dania Beach

Weiss, Serota, Helfman, Cole, & Bierman, P.L.
Fort Lauderdale, Florida
2001 to 2005

City Attorney for City of Dania Beach

Brinkley Morgan
Fort Lauderdale, Florida
1998 to 2001

Assistant City Attorney for City of Plantation

Brinkley Morgan
Fort Lauderdale, Florida
1994 to 1998

Deputy City Attorney, Assistant City Attorney, and City Prosecutor

City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida
1976 to 1988

Special Magistrate for Code Compliance

- Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea (2012 to present)
- City of Hollywood (2014 to present)
- City of Wilton Manors (2016 to present)
- City of Boca Raton (2017 to present)
- City of Parkland (2021 to present)

Private Sector Experience

Associate General Counsel

Florida Atlantic University

Boca Raton, Florida

1990 to 1996

As Associate General Counsel, I assisted the General Counsel in providing advice to the University President, administrators, college deans, faculty members, staff and student organizations on a variety of legal matters. I drafted and negotiated University contracts, prepared legal memoranda and issued legal opinions for the University. I also served as the legal advisor to the FAU Institutional Review Board.

Attorney

Goldberg & Young, P.A.

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

1988 to 1990

I conducted litigation and represented private sector clients in zoning, commercial and Code Enforcement matters in municipalities, counties and agencies in the Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach County areas.

Private Practice

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

1974 to 1976

I primarily conducted a general civil practice (principally consisting of zoning, landlord-tenant and marital matters, as well as contract work).

Education

Juris Doctorate

University of Florida

Bachelors of Art in English

Loyola University Chicago

Professional Affiliations

Florida Bar

Broward County Bar Association

Admitted to practice in:

All Florida state courts

United States 11th Circuit Court of Appeals

United States District Court, Southern District

United States Supreme Court