

## **Giselle Gutierrez and Ryan Thornton Named Among 40 Under 40 Outstanding Lawyers of South Florida by Cystic Fibrosis Foundation**

**MIAMI, FL** — October 11, 2018 — Stearns Weaver Miller attorneys Giselle Gutierrez and Ryan Thornton were named among the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's 40 Under 40 Outstanding Lawyers of South Florida 2018. The honorees, who were selected for their dedication to the legal profession, work ethic, outstanding leadership, charity work, and positive impact on the community, will be honored at an awards ceremony at the Fontainebleau Miami Beach on November 10.

Giselle Gutierrez is a Labor & Employment and Commercial Litigation attorney. She represents clients in disputes involving employment claims under the FMLA, ADA, ADEA, Title VII, FLSA, and more. Giselle handles non-compete and employment contract litigation in addition to complex civil litigation matters. She previously clerked for The Honorable Paul C. Huck, U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Giselle serves on The Florida Bar Board of Governors for the Young Lawyers Division as well as the Federal Bar Association's Law Clerks Committee. Giselle also sits on the Board of Directors of the Cuban American Bar Association (CABA) and CABA Foundation, where she currently serves as Treasurer for both organizations. She is also involved with the CABA Pro Bono Project. Giselle earned her J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the University of Florida Levin College of Law and her B.A., *cum laude*, from Florida International University.

Ryan Thornton is an attorney in the Litigation Department. His practice focuses on complex litigation matters at the trial and appellate levels in both state and federal court. Ryan has experience representing public and private companies in a variety of contract and business tort disputes. He previously clerked for the Honorable Federico A. Moreno, Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida.

Ryan is a member of the Federal, Dade County and American Bar Associations, and volunteers with the Dade Legal Aid and CABA Pro Bono programs. Ryan earned his J.D., *cum laude*, from Georgetown University Law Center and his B.A., *magna cum laude*, from Duke University.

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