

Three Stearns Weaver Miller Shareholders Selected as Florida Trend's Legal Elite NOTABLE – Women Leaders in Law

MIAMI, FL — November 29, 2023 — Stearns Weaver Miller announced that Shareholders [Elise Batsel](#), [Patricia “Trish” Conners](#), and [Patricia “Trish” Ann Redmond](#) were selected as Florida Trend's Legal Elite NOTABLE - *Women Leaders in Law*. The list recognizes Florida-based women attorneys who demonstrate leadership in professional and community organizations, mentor other attorneys and promote professional practices and values in the workplace, and have made a measurable impact in the types of cases handled, clients represented and/or pro bono work.

“These three women are not only high-caliber legal professionals, but are also mentors and fierce advocates for the community and professional organizations that they champion,” said Rick Schatz, Managing Director. “They have demonstrated strong leadership skills, professional success, and a deep involvement commitment to the firm and their broader communities.”

Elise Batsel (Tampa, Real Estate/Land Development, Zoning & Environmental) focuses her practice on land use, zoning, permitting, and transactional real estate. She represents national and local developers and property owners before local, state, and federal governments on land use and land development issues. She also represents property owners and developers in real estate acquisitions and dispositions, transactions. As a highly-involved board member and current President of Commercial Real Estate Women CREW Tampa Bay, Elise is dedicated to the advancement of women in the real estate industry and legal field. She also serves on the University of Florida (UF) Bergstrom Real Estate Advisory Board. In 2023, Elise was recognized as a [BusinessWoman of the Year Honoree](#) in the *Tampa Bay Business Journal*. She is also consistently ranked in *The Best Lawyers in America* and in *Florida Super Lawyers*.

Trish Conners (Tallahassee, State Attorneys General / Antitrust) is a nationally-renowned litigator and creative legal strategist, with particular expertise in antitrust and competition law. Before joining the firm in 2021, Trish served seven attorneys general in various senior executive positions in the Florida Attorney General's Office for 36 years, including as Chief Deputy. Trish was the first woman to lead the Florida AG Antitrust Division, the first woman Deputy Attorney General to oversee the office's enforcement units, and the first female Chief Deputy. In 2001, she was also the first woman to be appointed Chair of the Multistate Antitrust Task Force of the National Association of Attorneys General. For 20 years, Trish has held leadership roles in the American Bar Association's Antitrust Law Section and also presently serves on the Board of Directors for Ronald McDonald House Charities, as an adjunct professor for Antitrust Law at the University of Florida, and mentors students at Bond Elementary School in Tallahassee. Trish is consistently recognized in leading legal publications including *The Best Lawyers in America* and was inducted into the Hall of Fame for *Florida Trend's* Legal Elite for Antitrust & Trade Regulation after 10 consecutive years of recognition in the government and non-profit section.

Trish Redmond (Miami, Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights) focuses her practice on Chapter 11 reorganizations, out-of-court restructuring, and bankruptcy litigation and appeals. She represents debtors and secured/unsecured creditors/committees in significant Florida insolvencies and related appeals. Trish has held various leadership roles in professional industry organizations including the American Bankruptcy Institute, (Past President), American Bar Association, Business Law Section, Bankruptcy Bar Association, and the Federal Bar Association. In 2022, Trish was elected Chair of the American College of Bankruptcy Board of Regents and is the first woman in the College's history to hold this position. She also works closely with Dade Legal Aid - Put Something Back and has been an Adjunct Professor at University of Miami School of Law since 1999. Trish founded the Bankruptcy Assistance Clinic at St. Thomas University School of Law and the University of Miami School of Law, and dedicates 200-400 hours every year to pro bono work benefiting thousands of underprivileged individuals. Trish is ranked Band 1 (highest) in *Chambers USA*, on the "Top 100", "Top 50 Women" and "Top 100 Miami" lists in *Florida Super Lawyers*, and as a "Lawyer of the Year" multiple times in *The Best Lawyers in America*. She is also the recipient of the The Florida Bar's [Tobias Simon Pro Bono Award](#), the Bankruptcy Bar Association's (Southern District of Florida) Lifetime Achievement Award and the ABA's [Jean Allard Glass Cutter Award](#).



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