

Federal Bar Association South Florida Chapter Conducts Civics Program For Students With Help from Stearns Weaver Miller Shareholder Stephanie Turk

MIAMI, FL — October 26, 2022 — Stearns Weaver Miller announced that members of the Civics and Community Outreach Committee of the South Florida Chapter of the Federal Bar Association (“FBA”) facilitated a highly interactive civics program, [Civil Discourse: 16-Year-Olds and the Right to Vote](#). Stearns Weaver Miller Shareholder, Stephanie Turk, led the coordination efforts.

Students from Miami Central Senior High School attended this in-person program presided over by Judge Chris McAliley. Using the Socratic method, she stimulated critical thinking and discussion in a mock scenario similar to *Morse v. Frederick*, a Supreme Court case concerning the First Amendment. The overarching issue was the intersection between free speech and lowering the voting age to 16.

Stephanie, a Labor & Employment attorney experienced in both Employment Litigation and Employment Counseling, has served on the FBA South Florida Chapter Board of Directors since 2017, including as the [current Treasurer](#) and Civics Liaison. She was instrumental in establishing the Civil Discourse and Difficult Decisions Program (“CD3”) in Miami and has helped coordinate and facilitate various in-person and virtual events for the past five years. Last year, she coordinated a highly interactive civics program, [Civil Discourse and the Constitution: Candid Conversations](#) with over 550 high school students from five different Miami schools attending both virtually and in a federal courtroom.

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