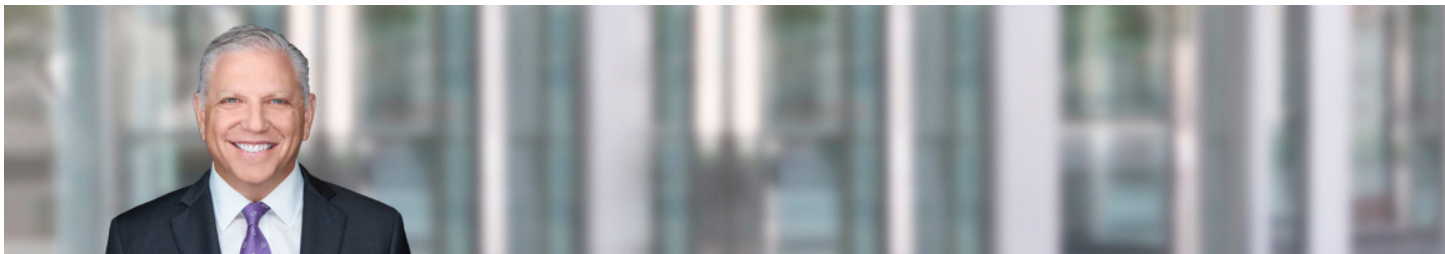


## Barry M. Wayne



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### PRACTICE AREAS

Marital & Family Law

### OVERVIEW

*" He is a strong advocate, he's someone who believes first and foremost in de-escalating the tension and tries to effect an amicable resolution... ready and prepared to zealously advocate on behalf of his clients...has particularly good, strong analytical skills, and also a very good understanding of the law and ability to apply it to the facts of any situation. "*

*- Chambers High Net Worth 2021-2022*

Barry M. Wayne is a Shareholder and the Head of the Marital & Family Law Department. His experience spans over 34 years representing clients in virtually all facets of marital and family law matters, including complex divorces, prenuptial and post-nuptial agreements, cohabitation agreements, paternity claims, and disputes that cross state and international borders. Barry's background enables him to guide his clients through the family law process of income and net worth analysis, business and other valuation matters, asset structure and debt analysis, division of complex marital estates, as well as all other issues unique to persons of financial means. His practice also includes protecting the rights of parents and their children, working proactively to conclude matters recognizing the paramount objective of their children's best interests. Barry has built a reputation for problem solving and affording clients the privacy and discretion required for successful completion of the issues facing their family.

Barry's clients have included corporate officers from a variety of endeavors, business owners, physicians, attorneys, financial and other professionals, professional athletes, investors, and their spouses.

Barry has been Florida Bar Board Certified in Marital and Family Law\* since 1994. He has achieved Board Certification as a Family Trial Advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocacy, which certifies attorneys based upon demonstrated substantial trial experience, submission of judicial and peer references, continuing education and quality of legal writing. *Best Lawyers in America*® has named Barry as the 2020 "Lawyer of the Year" for Family Law in Miami, a recognition awarded to one lawyer per year with the highest overall peer-feedback for a specific practice

area and geographic region.

*\*With only 7% of eligible members certified, Board certification is The Florida Bar's highest level of evaluation of a lawyer's competence and experience in a particular area of practice. It identifies lawyers with "special knowledge, skills and proficiency, as well as a reputation for professionalism and ethics." To achieve certification, a lawyer must endure rigorous examination and testing and be evaluated by their peers.*

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## REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Successfully completed dissolution of marriage/family court matters involving:

- Commercial/residential real property developer
- Hedge fund/investment fund manager
- Real property investor with multiple shopping center holdings
- Automotive industry entrepreneur
- Distressed business investor
- International attorney and specialized investment fund manager
- Food service processing entrepreneur
- Big 4 global accounting firm partner
- Chief Financial Officer of public company
- Public international clothing manufacturer executive
- Professional athletes
- Airline pilots
- Partners of prominent law firms
- Partners of prominent medical practices

Successfully completed prenuptial agreements involving:

- Public company chief executive
- Professional athlete
- Technology entrepreneur
- Internet entrepreneur
- Chief Executive of international entertainment business
- Owner of commercial and residential real property development company
- Hedge fund manager

Public accounting firm partner

Real estate financial services executive

Owner of multi-state commercial real estate brokerage firm

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## PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Miami-Dade County Bar Association, Member, 1991-Present

American Association for Justice, Member, 1987-Present

American Bar Association, Member, 1992-Present

Florida Bar Marital and Family Law Certification Committee, 2009-2015

Chairperson, 2013-2014

Vice Chairperson, 2012-2013

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## RECOGNITION

*Chambers High Net Worth, Marital & Family Law, Band 1, 2021-2022*

*The Best Lawyers in America, 2010-2023*

Lawyer of The Year, Family Law, Miami 2020

The Family Law Issue, 2021

*South Florida Legal Guide's Top Lawyers, 2004-2021*

*Florida Super Lawyers, 2007-2022*

*Florida Trend's Legal Elite, 2017*

AV® Preeminent™ Rated by Martindale Hubbell

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## PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

**Publications:** [Moving to the Sunshine State? Top Ten Things You Should Know About Florida Family Law](#)

Stearns Weaver Miller News Update | July 2022

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**Events:** [Prenuptial Agreements in Florida – Practical Considerations and Planning](#)

Jewish Federation of Broward County Advisors Philanthropy Initiative | | October 2021

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**Government Affairs News Update, Publications:** [Has Permanent Alimony Met its Demise in Florida? Stay Tuned...](#)

Stearns Weaver Miller News Update | April 2021

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**Publications: [If Getting Married Were Just About Love, Would It Be Easy?](#)**

South Florida Legal Guide | May 2012

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## NEWSROOM

**Firm Announcements: [Stearns Weaver Miller Lawyers Recognized in 2021 Florida Super Lawyers](#)**

| June 2021

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**In the Media: [On the Move](#)**

Law.com / Daily Business Review | | September 2020

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**Firm Announcements: [Stearns Weaver Miller Adds Shareholder Barry M. Wayne to Spearhead Newly Formed Marital & Family Law Practice Area](#)**

| September 2020

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**In the Media: [Divorce Advice \(And It Won't Cost You a Thing\)](#)**

The New York Times | | April 2019

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**In the Media: [Resolving Complex Marital and Family Law Matters](#)**

South Florida Legal Guide | | January 2018

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## EDUCATION

J.D., University of Florida Levin College of Law, 1986

Justice Campbell Thornal National Moot Court Board

Honor Court

B.A., with honors, Rutgers University, 1983

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## ADMISSIONS

Florida

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## CERTIFICATIONS

Board Certified by The Florida Bar in Marital and Family Law

Board Certified by the National Board of Trial Advocacy as a Family Trial Advocate