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PRACTICE AREAS

Marital & Family Law

OVERVIEW

Barry is one of the most professional, ethical, intelligent, and thorough lawyers I have the privilege of working with. He is consistently dedicated to his work. He advocates zealously for his clients yet he never fails to honour his obligations of ethical practice.

- Chambers High Net Worth 2023

Barry M. Wayne is a Shareholder and the Head of the Marital & Family Law Department. His experience spans over 36 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 "Lawyer of the Year" for Family Law in Miami in 2020 and 2024, a recognition awarded to one lawyer per year with the highest overall peer-feedback for a specific practice area and geographic region. Barry has also been AV®

Preeminent™ Rated by Martindale Hubbell for over 25 years.

*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.

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

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

RECOGNITION

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

The Best Lawyers in America, 2010-Present

Lawyer of The Year, Family Law, Miami, 2020, 2024

Miami Dade Bar Circle of Excellence Award, Family Law, 2023

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

Florida Super Lawyers, 2007-Present

Florida Trend's Legal Elite, 2017

AV® Preeminent™ Rated by Martindale Hubbell, 1997-Present

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

Events: Prenuptial Agreements in Florida – Practical Considerations and Planning

Jewish Federation of Broward County Advisors Philanthropy Initiative | October 2021

Government Affairs News Update, Publications: Has Permanent Alimony Met its Demise in Florida? Stay Tuned...

Stearns Weaver Miller News Update | April 2021

Publications: If Getting Married Were Just About Love, Would It Be Easy?

South Florida Legal Guide | May 2012

NEWSROOM

Firm Announcements: Barry Wayne Recognized with Miami Dade Bar Circle of Excellence Award

| April 2023

Firm Announcements: Stearns Weaver Miller Lawyers Recognized in 2021 Florida Super Lawyers

| June 2021

In the Media: On the Move

Law.com / Daily Business Review | | September 2020

Firm Announcements: Stearns Weaver Miller Adds Shareholder Barry M. Wayne to Spearhead Newly Formed

Marital & Family Law Practice Area

| September 2020

In the Media: Divorce Advice (And It Won't Cost You a Thing)

The New York Times | | April 2019

In the Media: Resolving Complex Marital and Family Law Matters

South Florida Legal Guide | | January 2018

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

ADMISSIONS

Florida

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