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RECOGNIZED BY *FLORIDA SUPER LAWYERS* AS A “RISING STAR” AMONG LAWYERS UNDER THE AGE OF 40 (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018), JEFFREY R. LAM FOCUSES HIS PRACTICE ON COMPLEX COMMERCIAL, BUSINESS AND CIVIL LITIGATION, INCLUDING EMPLOYMENT, REAL PROPERTY AND LAND USE, CONSTRUCTION, BREACH OF CONTRACT, AND PROBATE AND TRUST MATTERS.

With more than 10 years of experience as a litigator and trial attorney, he regularly represents clients in litigating matters through trial in both state and federal courts throughout Florida, resolving countless disputes with favorable results for his clients.

Most recently, Jeff was an integral member of the litigation team fighting for the development of Privé at Island Estates, a luxury high-rise condominium project being built on the North Island of Dumfoundling Bay in Aventura – the last vacant island in Miami-Dade County – against significant opposition in multiple related cases. Claims to prevent the building by two neighboring homeowners’ associations were defeated, the project has been constructed, and residents have moved in. Not only were efforts to stop the project defeated, but Waldman Barnett won a jury verdict of \$26 million for its clients on a counterclaim against one of the neighboring associations for violating a recorded covenant from 1982 that prevented them from objecting to development on the island. The verdict was covered by the *South Florida Business Journal*, *The Real Deal Miami*, the *Daily Business Review* and *Law360*.

Similarly, as reported by The Miami Herald and numerous other media outlets, he recently teamed with managing partner Glen Waldman in a successful effort to stymie developers who were intent on changing the landscape of the Grove Isle community located in Coconut Grove, Florida. When a development group purchased the Grove Isle Club property and sought to close the 30-year old club without any indication that a new club or other amenities would be rebuilt or offered to the residents of Grove Isle, the Firm filed a lawsuit and ultimately prevailed on an action for declaratory relief and permanent injunction on behalf of their client, Preserve Grove Isle, LLC.

Jeff graduated cum laude from the University of Miami School of Law, where he was inducted into the Honor Society of Bar and Gavel, and was a project leader for H.O.P.E. (Helping Others Through Pro Bono Efforts). For his community service efforts in H.O.P.E., he was awarded the school’s Challenge Achievement Award. During law school, Jeff also served as a legal intern for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in the Office of Chief Counsel for Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Prior to law school, Jeff earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Duke University in 2000 and embarked on a career as a multimedia producer and columnist for CNN Sports Illustrated’s online magazine, and later, NASCAR.com and PGA.com. His work for NASCAR.com helped secure it an Emmy Award for Most Outstanding Achievement in New Media Technology in 2003.

EDUCATION

University of Miami School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2007

Duke University, B.A., History, 2000

ADMISSIONS

- Florida
- U.S. District Court Southern and Middle Districts of Florida

PRACTICE AREAS

- Commercial and Business Litigation
- Civil Litigation
- Real Property and Land Use Disputes
- Contract Disputes
- Probate and Trust Litigation
- Employment Litigation
- Construction

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- The Florida Bar Dade County Bar Association
- University of Miami Law Alumni Association Young Alumni Committee
- Duke University South Florida Young Alumni Committee
- University of Miami Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center Young Philanthropists

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- Florida Super Lawyers Rising Star, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018