

MIRIAM E. MASON

CURRICULUM VITAE

CURRENT POSITION

Partner; President of Mason Black & Caballero, P.A.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

100% of Practice devoted to Marital and Family Law

BAR ADMISSIONS

Florida, 1975

EDUCATION:

J. D., Cumberland School of Law, Samford University, 1975, Cum Laude.

CERTIFICATION: *Board Certified Marital and Family Lawyer*, 1985 to date by the Florida Bar.

PROFESSIONAL LISTINGS

Martindale Hubbell, Rated "AV".

The Best Lawyers In America, Editor: Stephen W. Naifeh, Published by Wooddard/White Incorporated, Fifth through current edition. Recognized as the 2009 Tampa Family Lawyer of the Year.

Selected for inclusion in Law & Leading Attorneys: A Florida Consumers Guidebook, Florida 1996/97 to date. Published by American Research Corporation.

Recognized in Florida Super Lawyer's Magazine

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND POSITIONS

Fellow, *American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers*, 1983 to date.

National:

- President – 1999 to 2000
- President Elect – 1998 to 1999
- First Vice President 1997 to 1998
- Vice President 1994-1997
- Treasurer, 1993-94

- Secretary, 1992-93
- Admissions Procedures
Committee Chair, 1991-94
- Chair of Programs, 1989-90
- Chair of CLE Programs, 1988-89
- Board of Directors, 1988-91

Florida Chapter:

- President 1992-93
- President Elect, 1991-92
- Chair, 13th Annual Institute, 1991
- Secretary/ Treasurer, 1990-1991
- Chair - Sub-Board of Examiners, 1988-90
- Board of Managers, 1987-91

Diplomat of The American College of Family Trial Attorneys

Fellow of The International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers

Fellow of The American Bar Foundation

Member, *The Florida Bar*, 1975 to date.

- Special Committee on Presidential Election Procedures, 1991-1992
- Family Law Rules Committee, Vice Chair 1992-1994, Chair 1994-1995
- Civil Procedure Rules Committee, 1990-1993
- Florida Lawyers Association for the Maintenance of Excellence, Incorporated (FLAME) Board of Directors, 1990-1991
- Board of Certification for Marital & Family Law, 1988
- Long Range Planning Committee 1987-90, Vice Chair, 1988

Member, *The Family Law Section of The Florida Bar*, 1977 to date.

- Chair, 1986-87
- Chair-Elect, 1985-86
- Secretary-Treasurer, 1984-85
- Education Chairperson, 1980-82
- Executive Council, 1979-88

Member, *American Bar Association*, 1975 to date; Member Family Law Section of ABA; Member various committees.

Master of the Bar - *J. Clifford Cheatwood Inns of Court*, 1990 to Date.

- Treasurer, 1990 - 1992.
- President Elect 2005 – 2006.
- President 2006 - 2007.

LawyersAction – Board of Directors 2003-2005.

Editor: *The Family Law Commentator*, The Florida Bar, 1982-84.

Arbitrator: Certificate of Achievement from The Stanford Center on Conflict and Negotiation, The American Arbitration Association and The American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers in July, 1989

Author: Authored numerous articles in various publications including those listed:

"Up the Organization," Family Advocate, Spring, 1989, Vol. 11, No. 4.

The Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education, Drafting Marriage Contracts in Florida, "Drafting Marital Contracts in Florida," (1980) and 2nd Edition (1988).

"Your Kids, My Kids, Our Kids," Florida Bar Journal, October 1985.

"When to Use a Lay Person Over an Expert," Family Advocate, Winter 1985, Vol. 7, No. 3.

"Adversarial Cooperation: A Modern Litigation Necessity," The Florida Bar Journal, May 1985.

The Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education, Florida Dissolution of Marriage, "Annulment," (1984).

"Health and Medical Issues in Family Law Practice," The Florida Bar Journal, March 1984.

The Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education, Florida Proceedings After Dissolution of Marriage, "Matters Subject to Modification," (1983).

The Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education, Support, Custody and Marital Property in Florida (Second Edition), "Matters Subject to Modification," (1982).

"Equitable Distribution, As of What Date is Property Included and Valued?," The Florida Bar Journal, March 1982.

The Florida Bar Family Law Section News-letter, "Blood Finally Tells the Truth in Paternity Actions," Vol VI, No. 2, November, 1980.

The Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education, March 1979, Supplement to Florida Dissolution of Marriage, "No-Fault Concept, Ground for Defenses," (1979).

Lecturer: Lecturer at numerous CLE Seminars sponsored by: Florida Conference of Circuit Court Judges; Family Law Section, Florida Bar; American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, National; Florida Association for Women Lawyers; Family Law Section of Hillsborough County Bar Association; Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers; New Jersey Chapter of American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers; Kentucky Chapter of American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers; Colorado Chapter of American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers; Missouri Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers; Florida Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers; American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Committees/

Commissions Member of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee, 13-D, 1986-1989.

Florida Supreme Court Study Committee on Child Support Enforcement Masters, 1987.

Florida Supreme Court Gender Bias Study Commission, 1987-1989.

Community

Affairs: Leadership Tampa, Class of 1997 (Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce).

Athena Society, Inc.:

- President 1994-95
- President-Elect, 1993-94

- Treasurer, 1991-93
- Long Range Planning Committee, 1989-1990.

United Way of Greater Tampa:

- Board of Directors, 1991-94
- Finance Committee 1992-94
- Partnership Review Committee, 1991-93
- Venture Grant Committee and Admissions Committee, 1989-90
- Steering Committee Member, 1988
- Allocations Division Chair 1986-88
- Allocations Committee, 1984-1988