

# **MINDY FLETCHER SOLOMON**

## **(954) 224-8583 PROFESSIONAL SKILLS**

I am currently a Broward County Judge. I was elected in 2010. Previously I was a chief assistant in the Public Defenders' office supervising the juvenile division, major crimes division, and homicide division. I supervised approximately thirty attorneys in four juvenile trial divisions and approximately ten certified legal interns. The major crimes attorneys are in all circuit courtrooms. I am an experienced trial attorney specializing in Homicide cases including both the guilt and sentencing phases. My trial experience also includes Sexual Battery cases, general felonies, and misdemeanors. I presented Capital cases to the Grand Jury and made filing decisions on all other homicides. I negotiated cases resulting in plea bargains. I reviewed and assisted in writing search and arrest warrants. I established a good rapport with police agencies and the Medical Examiners' Office. I maintained these close communications from the initial Investigation through final disposition. I select, interview, and prepare expert witnesses for trial. I have established and maintained a professional relationship with the judiciary, defense bar, and prosecution. I lecture, teach, and critique my colleagues, law students, high school students, middle and elementary students, and law enforcement personnel on trial techniques and substantive law.

## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

1981: FLORIDA BAR

1982: UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

1982: UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

## **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

1998- 2009 Broward County Public Defender's Office  
Chief Assistant in Charge of Juvenile Division, Major Crimes  
Division and Homicide Division.

1993 - 1998 Broward County Public Defenders' Office  
Capital Crimes Attorney

201 S.E. 6th Street, North Wing, Third Floor Suite 3872  
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33301

1979-1993 BROWARD COUNTY STATE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

201 S.E. 6th Street  
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33301

1988-1993 HOMICIDE

Assistant State Attorney

I made numerous presentations to the Broward County  
Grand Jury resulting in many indictments, trials, and pleas.

1987-1988 SEXUAL BATTERY/Special Assignment

Assistant State Attorney

I prosecuted Sexual Battery cases involving complex and  
sensitive issues. I interviewed victims and made  
subsequent filing decisions.

1986-1987 SEXUAL BATTERY

Assistant State Attorney

I prosecuted Capital Sexual Battery cases, Sexual Battery cases, Child Abuse cases, and Elderly Abuse cases. I interviewed victims and made subsequent filing decisions.

1984-1986 FELONY TRIAL ATTORNEY

Assistant State Attorney

I prosecuted felonies involving Trafficking in Cocaine, Robbery, Burglary, Solicitation to Commit Murder, Escape, and Grand Theft. I handled arraignments, bond hearings, probation violation hearings and pretrial motions. I was responsible for the daily docket and case distribution.

1984 OBSCENITY/PORNOGRAPHY UNIT

Assistant State Attorney

I prosecuted and filed obscenity cases. I assisted in drafting search and arrest warrants.

1981- 1984 MISDEMEANOR

Assistant State Attorney

I prosecuted and filed Driving Under the Influence cases, Battery cases, Theft cases, Resisting Arrest cases and Prostitution cases.

1979- 1981 CASE FILING DIVISION and ECONOMIC CRIME UNIT

Legal Intern

Certified Legal Intern-County court.

1985- 1993 BARRY UNIVERSITY

Legal Assistants Program

Faculty

Instructor of Introduction to Paralegal program and Criminal Law.

1995 National Institute Trial Advocacy

Instructor

1996 - PRESENT Nova Southeastern University

Instructor Intensive Trial Advocacy

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Adjunct Professor Trial Advocacy

2001-PRESENT Nova Southeastern University

Instructor Advanced Intensive Trial Advocacy

1996 Florida Public Defender/Prosecutor Trial Advocacy Course

Instructor

1998 -PRESENT National Institute Trial Advocacy

Assistant Team Leader

1998 Public Defender College

Instructor

1998-PRESENT Nova Southeastern University

Adjunct Professor Psychology of Jury Selection

1994 Life Over Death

Speaker

1997 Florida Association Of Criminal Defense Attorneys Annual Meeting

Speaker

2000 Florida Association of Public Defenders

Speaker

2002 Circuit 17 Juvenile Probation Workshop

Speaker

2003 National Institute Trial Advocacy

Team Leader

2003 Lormar Education Services

Speaker Juvenile Competence

2003 Touro Law School

Instructor Employment Law Trial Advocacy

Seminar

2003 Leadership Broward: Presenter

2004 National Institute Trial Advocacy National Program

Instructor

2004 Florida Family Courts

A Vision Without Division: Presenter

2004- National Institute Trial Advocacy Deposition Program

Instructor and Program Director

2005- National Institute Trial Advocacy Child Advocacy Program

Instructor and Team Leader

2005 National Juvenile Defender Center

Investigator

**EDUCATION** NOVA UNIVERSITY, SHEPARD BROAD LAW CENTER Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

Juris Doctor, 1981

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK/COLLEGE AT BUFFALO

Buffalo, New York

B.S. Criminal Justice in Criminal Justice, 1977

Graduated Cum Laude

**PROFESSIONAL** Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity

Past Member

Past Justice

American Bar Association

Past Member

American Trial Lawyers Association

Past Member

West Broward Bar Association

Past Member  
National District Attorneys Association  
Past Member  
Nova University Shepard Broad Law Center Alumni  
Association  
Member  
Women in Law  
Past Member  
National Council of Jewish Women  
Past Member  
N'Amat  
Past Member  
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Member  
B'nai Brith Justice Lodge  
Member and Board Member  
National Association Of Criminal Defense Attorneys  
Past Member  
Broward County Association Of Criminal Defense  
Attorneys  
Board Member  
The Florida Bar 17<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee  
Past Member  
Department of Juvenile Justice  
Board Member  
Juvenile Intervention Facility  
Past Advisory Board Member  
Detention Center  
Advisory Board Member  
Urban League  
Past Advisory Board Member  
The Brown Schools Of Florida  
Past Advisory Board Vice Chairperson  
Temple Kol Ami  
Executive Board Member and Board Member  
The Florida Bar  
Juvenile Rules Committee and Vice Chair Delinquency  
American Bar Association  
Past Juvenile Justice Committee  
Broward Bar  
Member  
Inns of Court  
Member  
**SEMINARS**  
1984: F.P.A.A. Search and Seizure  
1985: N.C.D.A. Trial Strategy and Techniques

1986: F.D.L.E. Crimes Against Children  
1986: N.C.D.A. Child Abuse and Exploitation  
1988: N.C.D.A. Prosecution of Violent Crimes -  
1989: F.P.A.A. Investigation and Prosecution of Child Abuse  
1990: Pennsylvania District Attorneys Association  
Investigation and Prosecution of Child Homicide.  
1992: F.P.A.A. Search and Seizure  
1993: Trial with Style VII - December, 1993  
1994: Life Over Death, Florida PD Association 1994, 1996, 1998, 2004  
Defending a Capital Case In Florida 2000 and 2002  
Managing for Greatness 2005

### **COMMUNITY**

Lecturer to various police departments on Criminal Law  
Law Week: I participated in mock trial for numerous local High Schools in  
Broward County at the Ft. Lauderdale Performing Arts Center.  
Nova University Shepard Broad Law Center: Judge for Moot Court  
competition.  
Nova Blanche Forman Elementary School: Active P.T.A. member.  
Plantation Athletic League: Volunteer for sports activities.  
Tropical Elementary School: Career Day