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#### **EXPERIENCE**

## BECKER & POLIAKOFF, P.A., FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (FEB. 2017—PRESENT) SHAREHOLDER, COMPLEX COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

Manage caseload of matters covering a broad spectrum of commercial and civil matters Arbitrate contract disputes in Western United States for national client Conduct all aspects of pretrial practice, negotiating, counselling, and final hearings

# POLENBERG COOPER, P.A., FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (SEPT. 2005 – FEB. 2017) CO-MANAGING PARTNER AND FOUNDER, COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

Opened a law firm with two partners, no clients and no book of business. Firm operated for 12 years, growing to as many as 13 lawyers, with more than \$1 million in yearly revenue.

WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES, LLP, MIAMI, FL (AUG. 2002—SEPT. 2005)
ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY, COMPLEX COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

Represented Fortune 500 businesses in large-scale, multi-party litigation matters.

ZARCO, EINHORN & SALKOWSKI, MIAMI, FL (SEPT. 2000—AUG. 2002) ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY, FRANCHISE LITIGATION.

Day-to-day responsibility of litigation matters covering over 200 different franchise systems, in cases throughout the United States

#### **EDUCATION**

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

J.D., 2000, SUMMA CUM LAUDE

LAW REVIEW, MULTIPLE BOOK AWARDS, GRADUATED IN TOP 10 OF CLASS

### **HONORS & ACTIVITIES**

THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA, LITIGATION CATEGORY, 2020-PRESENT HONOREE, "TOP LAWYERS," SOUTH FLORIDA LEGAL GUIDE, 2015-PRESENT

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR, NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, 2013—PRESENT

BUSINESS LAW SECTION OF THE FLORIDA BAR: PAST CHAIR OF BUSINESS LITIGATION COMMITTEE AND BLOCKCHAIN & DIGITAL ASSETS COMMITTEE; CURRENT VICE-CHAIR, ELECTRONIC DISCOVERY COMMITTEE; MEMBER, EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.