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LAW OFFCES OF

NORMAN S. GERSTEIN

ATTORNEY AT LAW

**NORMAN S. GERSTEIN ESQUIRE**

Norman Gerstein retired from the Circuit Court after 29 years of distinguished service to the community. He was considered one of South Florida's highest rated Circuit Judges. He presided over thousands of jury and non-jury trials in virtually every Division of the County and Circuit Court. He has extensive experience in virtually all areas of the law including but not limited to complex commercial cases, land use cases, professional malpractice, trust, estates, guardianship, business disputes, attorney fee disputes, personal injury, negligence, negligent security, foreclosures, and construction litigation.  
 In 2010 he founded the Law Offices of Norman S. Gerstein. His practice is primarily devoted to Mediation and Arbitration. Additionally, he serves as a Special Master, Special Magistrate, Court Appointed Receiver, Court Appointed Personal Representative and serves as a neutral evaluator upon request. He has mediated over 1400 cases since 2010 and has been assigned to multiple arbitrations through the American Arbitration Association, the ICDR (International Centre for Dispute Resolution) the ICC (International Chamber of Commerce) and Finra.

ADMISSION TO PRACTICE:

* 1977-UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, Southern District of Florida
* 1973-THE FLORIDA BAR

EDUCATION:

* 1973-UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI, SCHOOL OF LAW, CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA Juris Doctor
* 1970- ROLLINS COLLEGE, WINTER PARK, FLORIDA Bachelor of Arts

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION TRAINING:

* AAA-ICDR Building Industry Specific Mediation Expertise in a Competitive ADR marketplace

October 16, 2019

* ICDR INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIA IN ADVANCED CASE MANAGEMENT ISSUES
* December 6, 2018
* NADN 2017 ADVANCED TRAINING MEDIATION COURSE

August 17-19, 2017

* FINRA DISPUTE RESOLUTION TRAINING

March 15, 2017

* FLORIDA SUPREME COURT CERTIFIED CIVIL MEDIATOR 2010-PRESENT
* 2016 ACESIN/AAA E-DISCOVERY TRAINING PROGRAM

ARBITRATING IN A DIGITAL WORLD:   FAIR & EXPEDITIOUS MANAGEMENT OF ELECTRONIC DISCOVERY

October 18-19, 2016

* 2016 AAA /ICDR /MEDIATION.ORG PANEL CONFERENCE

February 18th- 20, 2016

* DADE COUNTY BENCH AND BAR CONFERENCE

February 15, 2016

* BEST PRACTICES JURY SELECTION LAW THEORY METHOD

February 3, 2016

* ICDR BILTMORE HOTEL DELIBERATING THE DELIBERATIONS

January 27 to January 29, 2016

* ADVANCED MEDIATION TRAINING RETREAT

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DISTINGUISHED NEUTRALS

August 13-15, 2015

* 32ND JOINT COLLOQUIUM ON INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION

Friday, December 11, 2015

* AAA ICDR INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIA IN ADVANCE CASE MANAGEMENT ISSUES

2014

* AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION

Arbitration training and certification 2012

* APPELLATE MEDIATION TRAINING

(Florida Supreme Court Certification course) 2011

* FAMILY MEDIATION TRAINING

(Florida Supreme Court Certification course) 2011

* CIRCUIT/CIVIL MEDIATION TRAINING

(Florida Supreme Court Certification course) 2010

**SELECTED LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS:**

* CRUISE INDUSTRY PASSENGER & SEAFARER CLAIMS SEMINAR LECTURER

October 13, 2017

* 16SYMP002 ICDR CRUISELINE & SEAFARER PANEL – SYMPOSIA

October 13, 2016

* WORKSHOP FACULTY PRESENTER AT THE 15TH ANNUAL WINDSTORM INSURANCE CONFERENCE

THE EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR WINDSTORM CLAIMS INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS

January 27- 30, 2014

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

* 2010- PRESENT LAW OFFICES OF NORMAN S. GERSTEIN P.A.

Founder and President of Norman S. Gerstein P.A.

Mediator/Arbitrator/Receiver/Special Master/Umpire for Insurance disputes in binding Appraisals.

* 1986-2010 - CIRCUIT JUDGE - Appointed by Governor Graham. Elected to a six year terms in 1986, 1992, 1998 and 2004. Served in General Jurisdiction, Probate, Criminal and Juvenile Divisions.
* 1981-1986 - COUNTY COURT JUDGE - Appointed by Governor Graham. Elected to a four year term in 1982
* 1979-1980 - SPECIAL ASSISTANT STATE ATTORNEY- Assisted Grand Jury in investigations of nursing homes and State of Florida programs for abused, neglected, and abandoned children
* 1973-1980 - ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER - Office of the Public Defender, Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Dade County

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

* FINRA DISPUTE RESOLUTION ARBITRATOR
* FLORIDA ACADEMY OF PROFESSIONAL MEDIATORS
* NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DISTINGUISHED NEUTRALS

Member of mediation and arbitration panel

* AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION

Member of mediation and arbitration panel

* AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION
* ICDR - INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTIONS

Member of arbitration panel (Maritime)

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

* 2017- MIAMI CHILDREN’S MUSEUM

Board Member

* 2011 THE CORAL GABLES TRUST

Board Member

* 2004-2009 THE CHILDREN’S TRUST

Miami-Dade County

* 2002-Present SUMMER FUN FOR KIDS, INC.

President and Founder

* 2000-2005 HANDS ON MIAMI

Board of Directors

* 2000-2002 THE FLORIDA BAR COMMISSION ON THE LEGAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN

Commission Member

* 1998-2008 ADDICTION SERVICES BOARD, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
* 1996-Present MELISSA INSTITUTE FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

Board of Directors

* 1995-1999 FLORIDA CONFERENCE OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGES

Executive Committee

* 1995 LEADERSHIP FLORIDA

Class XIV

* 1995 SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON COURT RELATED NEEDS OF CHILDREN, THE ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
* 1993-2001 CHILDREN’S HOME SOCIETY.

Board of Directors

* 1992 ADVOCACY CENTER INC.

Board of Directors

* 1992 VICTIMS SERVICES COORDINATING COUNCIL. MIAMI-DADE COUNTY.

Chairperson.

* 1985 ADVISORY BOARD, COMMUNITY HABILITATION CENTER Miami, Florida. (1980-1985)

This is a non-residential Program for developmentally disabled adults.

* 1982 FLORIDA CENTER FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tallahassee, Florida. This is a non-profit organization which advocates on behalf of children.

* 1981 DADE-MONROE MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

appointed by the Dade County Commission, December 18, 1979

* 1981 SOUTH DADE Y.M.C.A.

Board of Directors

* 1980 DISTRICT HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Chairperson Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services

* 1980 ADMINISTRATIVE INQUIRY COMMITTEE Chairperson

Investigating Sunland Training Center (Appointed by District Administrator, Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services)

* 1979 TASK FORCE ON EMOTIONALLY/BEHAVIORALLY DISTURBED CHILDREN

Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services

* 1975 STATE WIDE TASK FORCE TO IMPLEMENT BILL OF RIGHTSFOR RETARDED PERSONS

HONORS:

* AMERICAN BOARD OF TRIAL ADVOCATE
* JUSTICE GERALD KOGAN JUDICIAL DISTINCTION AWARD

Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

* LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Greater Miami Jewish Federation

* JUDGE WILKIE FERGUSON, JR. ADVOCACY AWARDS

Easter Seals Miami Dade

* THE HEART AWARD

Boys and Girls Clubs of Miami

* JUSTICE HARRY LEE ANSTEAD PROFESSIONALISM AWARD

Dade County Trial Lawyers Association

* COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Healthy Families

* NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR FOREIGN ATTORNEYS

Judge of the Year Award

* CHILDREN’S HOME SOCIETY

Outstanding Children’s Patron

* COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Dade County Bar Association

* COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

City of Miami

* COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

City of South Miami

* COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Greater Miami Jewish Federation

* CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

Miami-Dade Addiction Services Board

* OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION AWARD,

Advocacy Center

* DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD,

Sunrise Community for the Retarded

* OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION AWARD,

Dade County Public Defender’s Office

* DEDICATED SERVICE AWARD

Sunland Training Center for the Retarded Citizens