

## **HON.VICTORIA PLATZER (RET.)**

### **CURRENT POSITION:**

#### **Victoria L. Platzer, P.A.**

Mediator; Arbitrator; Special Magistrate; Expert Witness;  
Litigation Consultant  
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### **PRIOR EMPLOYMENT:**

#### **Circuit Court Judge, 11th Judicial Circuit**

Dade County, Florida  
1995 - 2013  
General Jurisdiction: Associate Administrative Judge  
Trial Assistance Unit - Complex Litigation  
Family Division  
Criminal Division  
Juvenile Division: Delinquency and Dependency

#### **11th Judicial Circuit Court Appellate Panel**

1995 - 2013

#### **Adjunct Professor, University of Miami School of Law**

Litigation Skills Program  
2000 - Present

#### **Attorney - Private Practice**

General Civil & Family Litigation Practice  
1985 – 1994  
Certified Family Law Mediator 1990-1994

#### **Attorney - Examiner, U.S. Government Equal Employment Opportunity Commission**

1984 - 1985

#### **Law Clerk, State of Colorado, State District Court of General Jurisdiction**

Judge M. Railey, Colorado Springs  
1983 - 1984

#### **Police Officer - Miami Beach Police Department**

1977 – 1983

### **ADR EDUCATION:**

#### **2016 AAA/ICDR Arbitrator Conference**

February 19-20,2016 New Orleans, LA.

#### **Avoiding Ten Common Missteps Arbitrators Make** AAA-2015

**AAA/ICDR/ICC/ICSID 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Joint Colloquium**  
New York 2014

**ICDR International Symposia  
Advanced Case Management Issues  
Miami, FL 2014**

**AAA Arbitration Awards:  
Safeguarding, Deciding & Writing Awards  
2013**

**AAA Fundamentals and Best Practices for New AAA  
Arbitrators  
(40 hours) September 2013**

***Advanced Civil Mediation for Judges*  
National Judicial College  
(30 hours) October 2012**

**Mediation Services, Inc.  
University of Miami School of Law  
Circuit Civil Mediation Training  
(40 hours) October 2010**

**Mediation Services, Inc.  
University of Miami School of Law  
Circuit Family Mediation Training  
(40 hours) December 2010**

**Center for Dispute Resolution  
Boulder, Colorado  
Divorce and Child Custody Mediation  
(40 hours) - Certificate  
June, 1990**

**JUDICIAL EDUCATION:**

**National Judicial College  
Advanced Civil Mediation Course  
Chicago, Illinois - October 2012**

**14<sup>TH</sup> Annual FLABOTA Convention  
Current Topics in Florida Trial Practice Facing Judges  
and Lawyers 2011**

**Northwestern Law  
Judicial Symposium on Civil Justice Issues  
Chicago, Illinois - 2011**

**2001 Matrimonial & Family Law Certification Exam  
Review  
Tampa, Florida - February, 2001**

**Florida Judicial College Faculty Program  
Tampa, Florida – 2001**

**Florida College of Advanced Judicial Studies**

1995-Present

Various subjects

**National Judicial College**

University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada

General Jurisdiction – 1997

**Office of the State Court Administrator**

Advanced Premise Computer Course

Tallahassee, Florida - 1997

**American Academy of Judicial Education**

Judicial Reasoning - Newport, Rhode Island - 2000

Advanced Evidence - Whitefish, Montana - 1999

No Reversals - Correct Rulings; Evidence In Action

Harvard Law School –

Cambridge, Massachusetts – 1996

**EDUCATION:**

**University of Miami School of Law**

Coral Gables, Florida

Juris Doctor, 1982

**Florida Atlantic University**

Boca Raton, Florida

B.A. (Philosophy), 1975, *Magna cum laude*

**OTHER EDUCATION  
AND TRAINING**

**FBI/International Association of Chiefs of Police**

Quantico, Virginia

Short Course for Police Legal Advisors

April, 1982

**S.E. Florida Institute of Criminal Justice**

Miami, Florida

Basic Law Enforcement Training – 1978

**SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS/  
TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Trial Lawyers' Section of The Florida Bar**

Advanced Trial Advocacy Program

Gainesville, Florida May 2014

**Dade County Bar - Young Lawyers Division**

Dos and Don'ts of Courtroom Conduct

Miami, Florida March 2014

**Florida Association of Women Lawyers**

Trial Skills for Women Lawyers

Miami, Florida – 2012-2013

**American Association of Matrimonial Lawyers**

Evidence in Family Law

Puerto Rico March 24, 2013

**University of Miami School of Law**

Adjunct Professor - Litigation Skills

2000 – Present

**NBI Judicial Forum**

As Judges See It:

Top Mistakes Lawyers Make in Civil Litigation June 2012

**Emory University School of Law**

Kessler - Eidson Trial Techniques

Faculty, May 2012

**Dade County Bar Association Bench and Bar Conference**

March 2012

**Resort Torts and the Courts**

The Bankers Club of Miami

2011

**Florida Judicial College**

Faculty, 2002 to 2010

**Florida College of Advanced Judicial Studies**

Faculty, 1998-2006

Attorney's Fees

Contempt

Child Support

Child Support with Computers

Parenting - Tools for the Judge

Sentencing, Closing Argument and Jury Selection

The Basics of Criminal Law

Deadly Daily Dilemmas

**Florida Conference of County Court Judges Business Conference**

Juror Misconduct Faculty, 2008

**Florida Conference of Circuit Court Judges**

Judicial Misconduct

Life in the Fast Lane-Expediting Your Trials

Unique Sentencing Issues: Habitual Felony

Offenders, Habitual Violent Felony Offenders,

Career Criminals

Faculty, 1998-2005

**Nuts and Bolts Family Law Inns of Court**

"Contempt"

Miami, Florida - November, 2004

**Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers**

"Enhanced Sentencing"

Orlando, Florida - November, 2001

**Richard E. Gerstein Justice Building**

New Judge In-House Training  
Miami, Florida - January 2001

**Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers**

All About Felony Sentencing In Florida  
Miami, Florida - February, 2000

**Florida Bar Annual Meeting, Criminal Law Section**

Tough Times In the Sunshine State  
Tampa, Florida - January, 2000

**Florida Association for Women Lawyers**

**Seventh Annual Conference on Women and the Law**

Evidence: An Advocacy Skills Seminar  
Miami, Florida - January, 1999

**CIVIC & PROFESSIONAL  
ACTIVITIES:**

**11<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Guardian Ad Litem Program**

2014-present

**11<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Mentoring Program**

2010-2013

**Supreme Court Task Force**

Management of Cases Involving Complex Litigation  
2007

**Justice Teaching Institute 2007**

**Kristi House – Facility for Child Victims of Sex Abuse**

Board of Directors

2001 -2002

Consultant Board

2002 – 2008

**The Florida Bar’s Committee on Professionalism**

1999 - 2002

**“Courts and Conflict”** - Elementary Justice Teaching  
Institute - Florida Law Related Education Association,  
April, 1999

**“You Be the Judge”** - WLRN Educational Television

October, 1998

**Miami Beach Mayor’s Committee for a  
Barrier Free Environment**

1992-1993

**Guardian Ad Litem** - Dade County Circuit Court  
1987 – 1994; 2014

**MEMBERSHIPS:**

American Arbitration Association (AAA)  
Panel of Neutrals 2013-present  
International Centre for Dispute Resolution(ICDR)  
2014-present

International Council for Commercial Arbitration 2014  
Employment Law Panel 2015-present

The Florida Bar, 1983 - Present

Licensed to practice in Colorado, 1984 – Present

Southern District of Florida 2013-Present

Cuban American Bar Association 2013-present

Florida Association for Women Lawyers 2013-present

Dade County Bar Association 2005-present

National Association of Women Judges, 1995 – 2000;  
2015- present

Nat'l Council of Juvenile & Family Court Judges, 1995

American Judges Association, 1995

Miami Beach Bar Association, 1995 - 2004

The Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers, 1992 - 1994

**PUBLICATIONS:**

Florida Criminal Law Journal, “Enhanced Sentencing in Florida” - Winter 2000

Bench Book: “Enhanced Sentencing in Criminal Cases”  
May 2000 - Provided to Florida Circuit Judges;  
Distributed by Administrative Office of the Court for  
training law clerks

**AWARDS:**

2006 Justice Harry Lee Anstead Professionalism Award  
Dade County Trial Lawyers Association

Jurist of the Year 2002  
First Family Law American Inn of Court

Citizen of the Year 1994  
Miami Beach Fraternal Order of Police