

# Joseph Goldstein Speaks to DBR about Effects of Pandemic Fatigue

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Nearly two years after the onset of the coronavirus pandemic, many attorneys are feeling the deeper problems brought on by pandemic fatigue.

While practicing on Zoom can cut costs and save time in most cases, there can be downsides. Some lawyers say attorneys are less prepared for mediation when not in person, leading to unresolved litigation. Others state that parties are coming to mediation not of their own free will.

Joseph M. Goldstein, a business litigation partner in the Fort Lauderdale office of Shutts & Bowen LLP, stated in a recent interview with the *Daily Business Review* that a common lingering effect of pandemic fatigue is attorneys' responses to the delay in jury trials, as courts closed in response to the global health crisis.

"Some attorneys from the plaintiff side might be willing to compromise a bit more, because otherwise, their clients are going to have to wait longer because of COVID-19 delays of sitting juries," he said. "I think in general what might play more into it may be the challenges of our caseloads. Maybe the case is not as fully developed as they might want.

To read the full story, please click here.

#### About Joseph M. Goldstein

Joseph M. Goldstein is the Managing Partner of the Fort Lauderdale office of Shutts & Bowen LLP, where he is a member of the Business Litigation Practice Group. Joseph also practices out of the Tallahassee office. A Martindale-Hubbell AV® rated attorney, Joseph is among the less than one percent of attorneys who are Florida Bar Board Certified in Business Litigation. He is also a Florida Supreme Court Certified Civil Circuit Mediator. Joseph has been recognized as a "Lawyer of the Year" by Best Lawyers in America ®, listed as a "Power Leader" by South Florida Business Journal as well as the "Top Lawyers in South Florida" by South Florida Legal Guide.

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