

Fort Lauderdale Partner Participates as Magistrate in New Broward Program

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Chief Circuit Judge Jack Tuter recently issued an administrative order allowing a Broward County Bar Association committee to appoint professional and civility magistrates. This pilot program will allow judges to sanction attorneys who misbehave during litigation.

[Joseph M. Goldstein](#), Managing Partner of the Fort Lauderdale office of Shutts & Bowen LLP, is one of the architects of the program and will participate as one of 10 magistrates. The group will hear cases and recommend disciplinary action for judges to consider for offenses that fall outside the scope of Florida Bar disciplinary proceedings. They will provide resolutions within weeks, targeting a 45-day turnaround.

The goal of the program is to create a more professional environment and improve civility in terms of working together.

Read more about the program on the Daily Business Review [website](#).

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 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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