



# **DAWN M. MEYERS**

# Partner

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Dawn M. Meyers is a Partner on Berger Singerman's Government and Regulatory Team. She concentrates on environmental and land use law, government contracting, and regulation.

Driven by a passion for improving her community, Dawn has a reputation for attention to detail, accessibility to clients, and honest relationships with local regulators and elected officials. Her broad regulatory experience includes representing clients in aviation, port, marine, large manufacturers, solid waste transportation and disposal, detention facilities, beverage producers and distributors, land developers, construction, hotel, and restaurant industries.

Dawn brings years of professional experience to the table, as well as a steadfast dedication to living a life of integrity. She gleans excellent satisfaction from helping clients achieve their goals of rehabilitating environmentally contaminated lands -- regardless of the project's size. One of her proudest career moments is assisting with converting an aging, contaminated, abandoned golf course into a mixed-use, residential and commercial park and executive golf course.

Before becoming the first female lawyer-named-shareholder with Berger Singerman in 1996, Dawn served as General Counsel to the Boca Raton Airport Authority and Chief Hearing Officer with Florida's Department of Business and Professional Regulation. Her experiences have granted her a distinctive and hands-on perspective into real estate matters, federally-funded projects, and public building development. She's uniquely

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qualified to navigate procedures in a constantly changing government environment.

Dawn is a pillar of her community. She has lived locally for 30 years and plans to remain there while giving back to that community for the rest of her life. During those 30 years, she has been instrumental in transforming the landscape. Above all, Dawn takes pride in seeing old blights and environmental risks now thriving as productive properties and knows full-well the dedication and diligence required to spark those transformations.

#### Education

J.D., *with honors*, University of Florida Frederic G. Levin College of Law B.A., *with honors*, University of Florida College of Journalism

#### **Bar Admissions**

Florida

# **Practice Teams**

Government and Regulatory

#### **Practice Areas**

Administrative Hearings & Appeals Aviation Environmental Issues Government Disputes Government Permitting & Licensing Hospitality & Leisure Infrastructure Projects Land Use & Zoning Municipal & Public Entity Restructuring State & Local Government Law Urban Redevelopment

#### **Representative Matters**

- Spearheaded a successful lobbying effort to open the news and gifts concession at the Fort Lauderdale/ Hollywood International Airport to competitive bidding for the first time in two decades
- General Counsel to the Boca Raton Airport Authority, August 2006 December 2016
- Environmental Counsel in golf course conversions in Broward and Miami-Dade Counties
- · Counsel to large solid waste company in defense of multiparty governmental contract dispute
- Defended and challenged numerous governmental bid awards

## Awards & Honors

- The Best Lawyers in America®, 2013-2025
- Chambers & Partners USA, America's Leading Business Lawyers, Environment, 2018-2019, 2022-2025
- Martindale-Hubbell, AV® Preeminent™ rated
- South Florida Legal Guide, Top Lawyer, 2011-2014, 2016-2019
- Daily Business Review
  - Finalist, Dealmaker, 2008
  - Finalist, Most Effective Lawyers, 2006

# **Community Activities / Associations**

- The Florida Bar
  - Member, Environmental and Land Use Law Section
  - Member, County and Local Government Law Sections
- Broward County Bar Association, Government Law Section
- Florida Bar's Grievance Committee "17H," in and for the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit, Member (2002-2003), Vice Chair (2003-2004)
- Leadership Fort Lauderdale, Greater Fort Lauderdale, Chamber of Commerce, Class X Graduate and Class XIV Curriculum Chairperson

## In the News

Fifty-Six Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2025 Edition of Best Lawyers In America August 15, 2024

Berger Singerman Recognized by Chambers USA for Twentieth Consecutive Year June 1, 2023

The Business Journals Quotes Dawn Meyers in, "Advocate Health plans; Tupperware troubles, The National Observer April 11, 2023" April 17, 2023

The Business Journals Quotes Dawn Meyers in, "Millions of SBA Covid EIDL loans are coming due. What happens for those who can't pay?" April 10, 2023

South Florida Business & Wealth Features Dawn Meyers and Javi Vazquez in, "How to Take Advantage of Federal Infrastructure Funds" August 31, 2022

Forty-Three Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2023 Edition of Best Lawyers In America August 18, 2022

Berger Singerman Survey Reveals Florida Businesses Have Significant Doubts About Infrastructure Bill August 4, 2022

Berger Singerman Recognized by Chambers USA for Nineteenth Consecutive Year June 1, 2022

Civil + Structural Engineer Quotes Dawn Meyers in, Improving the State of Florida's Infrastructure" February 1, 2022

Sun-Sentinel Quotes Dawn Meyers in, "One landlord is making tenants get vaccinated. Whether it's legal is still undecided"

September 5, 2021

Thrity-nine Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2022 Edition of Best Lawyers In America August 19, 2021

South Florida Sun-Sentinel Quotes Dawn Meyers in, "80% of cruise enthusiasts would prefer to sail with vaccine requirement" June 1, 2021

South Florida Sun-Sentinel Quotes Dawn Meyers in, "Battle for the seas: Cruise lines prepare to sail, but clash with DeSantis looms" May 30, 2021

Sun-Sentinel Quotes Dawn Meyers in, "Judge refers Florida's cruise line suit against CDC to mediator" May 19, 2021

Law360 Quotes Dawn Meyers in "Infrastructure Bill Is A Big Opportunity For Mid-Law Firms" May 14, 2021

Infrastructure Bill Is A Big Opportunity For Mid-Law Firms May 14, 2021

Berger Singerman Launches Infrastructure Task Force April 19, 2021

Sun-Sentinel Quotes Dawn Meyers in, "Another cruise line will require vaccines; DeSantis says no" April 12, 2021

Sun-Sentinel Quotes Dawn Meyers in, "Florida sues Biden administration and CDC to reopen cruise industry". April 8, 2021

ABC 7 WWSB "Dawn Meyers Discusses the Future of bars and breweries still uncertain on the Suncoast" August 20, 2020

Thirty-Five Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2021 Edition of Best Lawyers In America August 19, 2020

Twenty-one Berger Singerman Attorneys Listed in South Florida Legal Guide as Top Attorneys October 31, 2019

Thirty Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2020 Edition of Best Lawyers In America August 14, 2019

Berger Singerman Recognized by Chambers USA for Sixteenth Consecutive Year April 24, 2019

South Florida Legal Guide Names 21 Berger Singerman Attorneys as Top Lawyers March 7, 2019

Thirty Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2019 Edition of Best Lawyers In America August 14, 2018

Berger Singerman Recognized by Chambers USA for 15th Consecutive Year May 2, 2018

South Florida Legal Guide Names 23 Berger Singerman Attorneys as Top Lawyers January 9, 2018

Thirty Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2018 Edition of Best Lawyers In America August 14, 2017

Twenty-Eight Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2017 Edition of Best Lawyers In America August 14, 2016

Law360 quotes Dawn Meyers on "Air Traffic Reform To Dominate FAA Reauthorization Debate" January 20, 2016

## **Publications**

Construction Today "Developer Beware: What to Watch Out for When Converting Environmentally-impacted Properties into New Development" June 22, 2022 Metro Magazine "Infrastructure Plan: All Roads Lead to Congress" July 28, 2021 Client Alert - COVID-19: Implications of New Covid-19 Relief Package For Businesses December 22, 2020 Client Alert - COVID-19: Additional Relief for Businesses Impacted by COVID-19 October 29, 2020 Daily Business Review "Many S. Fla. Businesses Will Not Be Ready When the COVID Chaos Subsides" October 6, 2020 Client Alert - COVID-19: SBA Issues New and Final Interim Rule June 10, 2020 Client Alert - COVID-19: Federal Reserve Announces Expanded Main Street Lending Program Soon to be Open June 8, 2020 Client Alert - COVID-19: Congress Passes Sweeping Changes to Payroll Protection Program June 3, 2020 Client Alert - COVID-19: SBA Provides Further Guidance Regarding Good Faith Certification May 12, 2020 Client Alert - COVID-19: Inching Closer to a Revised Main Street Lending Program May 1, 2020 Client Alert - COVID-19: Good Faith Certifications Under The Paycheck Protection Program April 23, 2020 Client Alert - COVID-19: Federal Reserve Announces Main Street Lending Program April 8, 2020 Client Alert - COVID-19: Treasury Department Issues Regulations Refining Paycheck Protection Program April 2, 2020 Client Alert: Economic Resources for Businesses Impacted by COVID-19 March 25, 2020 Client Alert - COVID-19: SBA Loan Programs for Florida Small Businesses March 23, 2020

## **Events & Speaking Engagements**

Jeff Margolis, Dawn Meyers and Javi Vazquez, Speakers, "BASF Developers Showcase" September 22, 2020

Webinar: Rescue or Refund? PPP Certifications & Main Street Lending Program Update May 4, 2020

Webinar: Returning to a New Normal: PPP & Stimulus Funding Next Steps April 23, 2020

Webinar: Emerging Issues Facing Businesses Amidst COVID-19 April 6, 2020

Dawn Meyers, Speaker, Golf Club Repositioning for Multifamily Developers Roundtable September 12, 2017

# **Doing Business in Florida Blog**

Public-Private Partnerships: An Alternative to Tax-funded Infrastructure May 24, 2021 Take a Second Look: You May Be In The Infrastructure Business May 3, 2021 Paycheck Protection Program and the Economic Injury Disaster Loan Funds Replenished April 23, 2020 Land Use Reliance Letters - Can you truly rely on them? October 18, 2018 The Art of Communicating with Regulators August 19, 2018 Environmental Insurance Coverage: Now you have it - now you don't June 14, 2018 Winning a Bid Protest before Submitting a Bid February 11, 2018 Hurricane Warning: Protecting Our Governmental Assets June 8, 2017 SURPRISE! You May Be A Lobbyist March 20, 2017 When a Tax Is Good for the Environment October 3, 2016 Governments Are Not Immune to Hurricanes

June 6, 2016

# **Prior Affiliations**

Chief Hearing Officer and Administrator for the State of Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation