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S. Daniel Ponce has been actively engaged in the representation of public and privately held enterprises in complex business and litigation matters. Danny started his career in public accounting with a big five accounting firm and served as an Assistant General Counsel to the Florida Division of Securities and Acting Executive Assistant to the State of Florida Comptroller and Cabinet Officer. Danny has served as General Counsel to two public companies, and has served as a member of the Board of Directors of public companies. In these capacities, he has gained a wide array of knowledge into business and litigation risks and management of those risks, from both an accounting and legal perspective.

Education

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

Bar Admissions

Florida
U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth and Eleventh Circuits
U.S. District Court, Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Florida
U.S. Supreme Court

Practice Teams

Dispute Resolution

Practice Areas

Complex Commercial Litigation
Corporate
Hospitality & Gaming Litigation
Hospitality & Leisure
Latin America & Caribbean Practice
Real Estate Litigation

Representative Matters

Danny's clients represent a varied group of business interests throughout the State of Florida, and have included among others, Imperial Industries, Inc., Premix Marbletite Manufacturing Co., Inc., Hackett Group, Inc. (Nasdaq HCKT), David Parker, Ed Miller, Ted Fernandez, The Biltmore Hotel, The David Williams Hotel, The Alexander Hotel, Southern Audio Visual, Oscar Roger, Roger Development Group, Inc., College Park Group, LLC, Plum Creek Timberlands, L.P., Harry-Anna Investment, Fund, Inc., Nalbandian Properties, and Tioga Town Center. In 2002, he served as Special Counsel to U.S. Senator Bob Graham in Washington D.C.

Awards & Honors

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, 2016-2025

Community Activities / Associations

- Trustee Emeritus, University of Florida
- Board Member and Chair of the Audit and Compliance Committee, UF Health (Shands Hospital) Gainesville, Florida
- Past President and Chairman of the Orange Bowl Committee
- Past Chairman of New World School of the Arts
- Board Member and Past Chairman of the University of Florida Athletic Association Finance Committee
- Member of the Florida Federal Judicial Nominating Commission, Middle District Conference
- Past Chairman, Audit Committee, University of Florida Foundation
- Member, Dade County Bar Association
- Member, American Bar Association
- Member, The Florida Bar
 - Young Lawyers Section; Secretary (1981-1982)

In the News

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

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

University of Florida Recognizes S. Daniel Ponce as a Distinguished Alumnus
June 2, 2022

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

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

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

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

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

Berger Singerman Attorneys Melanie Ann Hines and Danny Ponce to Serve on the Federal Judicial
Nominating Commission
July 11, 2017

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

Prior Affiliations

- Legon Ponce & Fodiman, P.A.
- Special Counsel for Senator Bob Graham, Washington, D.C.
- Zack Hanzman Ponce Tucker Korge & Gillespie, P.A.
- Floyd Pearson Richman Greer, P.A.
- Assistant General Counsel, Florida Division of Securities
- Acting Executive Assistant to the State of Florida Comptroller and Cabinet Officer