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Associate

Y. LISA COLON HERON is an associate with Smith Currie & Hancock. Lisa is Board Certified in Construction Law by the Florida Bar. Lisa represents contractors, suppliers, owners, design professionals, construction managers and sureties in public and private construction disputes. Lisa has experience in a wide range of construction disputes ranging from lien law, contract disputes, government contracting, bid protests and mistakes, Miller Act

bonds, surety, condominium construction, licensing and arbitration. Lisa deeply immersed in matters relating to small business, equal employment opportunity and disadvantaged business enterprises. She is a fellow with the American Bar Association, Forum on Construction Industry. She has lectured on a variety of construction industry topics including key construction clauses, construction insurance issues, Florida Statute 558, construction lien law and condominium statutory warranties.

Lisa received her B.A. degree from the University of Miami and her J.D., *cum laude*, from the University Of Miami School Of Law. Lisa served as an Article and Comments editor on the International and Comparative Law Review. In 1997 she interned with the Late Honorable C. Cyldre Atkins, United States District Court, Southern District of Florida. While in law school she spent two summers at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill, Barbados and interned with Chancery Chambers, Barbados in 1998. She is currently the president of the Caribbean Bar Association. Lisa is a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Classes & Seminars Taught

- Bateman, Gordon & Sands, Inc. Seminar, Key Construction Contract Clauses, April 2009
- Turner School of Construction Management, Presentation on Key Subcontracting Clauses, May 2009 (awarded Best Community Presenter)
- Palm Beach County School District, Minority, Women and Small Business Enterprises Workshop, Key Subcontract Clauses, June 2009
- Palm Beach Partners, Sustaining Your Business in The Down Economy, July 2009
- National Association of Minority Contractors, Southeast Florida Chapter, Midwinter Retreat, Workshop, February 2009.
- C.A.M.P., Community Association Management Professionals, Recent Developments in Construction Law, 2008.

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Areas of Practice

- Construction Law
- Government Contracts
- Lien Law
- Commercial Litigation
- Construction Bonding & Surety

Education

- University of Miami (B.A., 1996)
- University of Miami School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1999)
- International & Comparative Law Review (ACE, 1997-1998)
- Society of the Bar & Gavel
- Florida Bar Foundation Scholarship Recipient (1999)

Bar and Court Admissions

- Florida, 1999
- U.S. District Court Southern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court Middle District of Florida
- U.S. Court of Appeals 11th Circuit

Memberships

- American Bar Association, Forum on Construction Industry, Fellow 2007-2009
- American Bar Association, Forum on Construction Industry, Division 7 (Insurance, Steering, Surety and Liens, Working Group Members)
- Associated General Contractors of America, Member 2008
- Construction Association of South



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Florida, Member

- The Florida Bar, Real Property Probate & Trust Law Section, Member
- Latin Builders Association (Membership Committee)
- National Association of Minority Contractors, Southeast Florida Chapter, Member, 2008-present; Board Member, 2009.

Professional Activities

- Caribbean Bar Association, President 2008-2009

Noteworthy

- Board Certified in Construction Law by The Florida Bar.