



BERCOW RADELL & FERNANDEZ RANKED AS TOP FLORIDA FIRM IN ZONING/LAND USE LAW IN CHAMBERS 2015 DIRECTORY

MIAMI ATTORNEY JEFFREY BERCOW ALSO SINGLED OUT FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE FIELD

(MIAMI) May 27, 2015 – Bercow Radell & Fernandez is pleased to announce that for the third consecutive year it has been recognized in the 2015 Directory of Chambers USA, one of the oldest and most prestigious legal guides in the world.

The boutique Miami firm was ranked in Band 1 in the area of Real Estate: Zoning/Land use Law – Florida, the highest recognition given by Chambers. Only six other firms in Florida placed at the top in this specialty area.

In addition, firm co-founder and managing partner, Jeffrey Bercow, was also ranked in the top tier of his specialty, zoning and land use law.

Chambers USA annually ranks U.S. law firms and individual attorneys based on in-depth telephone interviews with law firm clients and other attorneys. For more than 20 years Chamber has published independent and objective research-based directories of the legal profession. Inclusion in the guide is based solely on the research team’s findings.

“We are sincerely honored to be included again this year in the Chambers USA Directory because it is a testament to the excellent, hard work the entire firm devotes each and every day to our clients,” Bercow said.

In singling out Bercow Radell & Fernandez, the 2015 edition of Chambers USA writes that the team is known as a “highly respected single-office boutique focusing on zoning and land use law. Clients include financial institutions, real estate development companies and retailers among others...zoning is their strength.

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"Managing partner Jeffrey Bercow is held in high regard for his deep local expertise, with sources noting: 'Miami-Dade County is huge and has tons of little municipalities – cutting through the labyrinth of relationships like he does is remarkable.' "

Recent projects highlighted in the Chambers USA guide include:

- Represented an affiliate of Landmark Companies in its efforts to redevelop the abandoned, 200-acre Westview Golf Course.

- Successfully represented Homestead-Miami Speedway, LLC, a wholly owned affiliate of International Speedway Corporation, in its quest to add 12,000 new seats and 120 acres of land and to implement a new master plan.

- Obtained land use approvals for a 68-acre parcel of land located between two regional malls in Miami-Dade County, for 800,000 square feet of retail space, 1050 residential units, 400 hotel rooms and 250,000 square feet of office space; and then subsequently modified entitlements to relax timelines and obligations.

- Representation of CG Miami River, LLC, in the due diligence, acquisition, stakeholder outreach, land use, zoning and permitting of the Miami River Special Area Plan, a 10-acre mixed use development on the Miami River in the urban core of the City of Miami.

- Represented Marriott Hotels and Ian Schrager as co-developers of the boutique hotel concept known as The Edition, at the former Seville Hotel, a three-acre oceanfront parcel in the middle of Miami Beach. Representation involved several dozen hearings before various City of Miami Beach boards and agencies in order to obtain necessary project approvals.

- Obtained approvals for Integra Investments, LLC for ParkSquare Aventura, a mixed-use development on a 7.5 acre site in Aventura, Florida. When complete the project will have approximately 650,000 square feet of floor area, with hotel, residential condominium, office, medical office, specialty retail, quality restaurant and assisted living facility components.

Bercow Radell & Fernandez's significant clients highlighted in Chambers USA include: Adler Development Group; Archstone Smith; Atlantic Civil; Atlantic & Pacific Development; Barry University; Berkowitz Development Group; Best Buy; Canyon-Johnson Urban Fund; Chetrit Group; City of Miami Community Redevelopment Agency; Cornerstone Group; D.R. Horton; Florida East Coast Properties; Florida International University; Florida Power & Light Company; Home Depot USA; Homestead-Miami Speedway; Integra International; International Place Associates; Ladder Capital; Landmark Companies; Lennar Homes; Leon Medical Centers; Marriott International; Mount Sinai Medical Center; The Peebles Development Group; Public Storage; Racetrac Petroleum; Related Development;

South Beach Group Hotels; Sterling Organization; Terranova; The Congress Group; TriStar Capital; Turnberry Associates; Warren Henry Motors; Weitzer Development; Whole Foods Market; Williamson Cadillac Company; Woolbright Development; World of Beer; and Yard House Restaurants.

Bercow Radell & Fernandez, located at 200 S. Biscayne Boulevard, Suite 850, Miami, was established in 1996. The firm handles all aspects of local, state and federal real estate permitting and licensing, including zoning approvals, amendments of local government comprehensive plans, developments of regional impacts (DRIs), due diligence reviews, growth management, concurrency and environmental matters.

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