

Kelley Kronenberg named one of South Florida's "Top Law Firms"; Seven Partners also named in the 2019 South Florida Legal Guide

Fort Lauderdale – Kelley Kronenberg, a diverse business law firm, was selected by the *South Florida Legal Guide* as a "Top Law Firm" in the publication's 2019 edition. Principal Partners Michael J. Fichtel, Howard L. Wander, Heath S. Eskalyo and Karen M. Gilmartin, along with firm Partners Gary L. Brown, Amy Siegel Oran and Dominick V. Tamarazzo were named to the "Top Lawyers" list in their respective areas of practice. All of the firm's selected lawyers have also been peer review rated AV Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell. The *South Florida Legal Guide* is a peer-nominated publication. Lawyers selected must be well-regarded in the legal profession, have several years of experience, and



possess a distinguished track record. **Attorney Biographies:** [Michael J. Fichtel](#) serves as firm-wide Managing Partner and Chief Executive Officer. In addition to his litigation practice, he initiated and orchestrated an overhaul of the firm's business practices and philosophies, resulting in the firm's unprecedented diversification, economic growth, and emergence as a technological leader in the legal realm. Under his leadership, the firm transformed from a statewide firm with limited scope to a comprehensive industry leader. He was selected



in the Workers' Compensation - Defense category. [Howard L. Wander](#) serves as Principal Partner, Chief Operating Officer and Managing Partner of the firm's West Palm Beach office. He has been directly involved in the firm's strategic consultation and growth. Mr. Wander maintains an active Insurance Defense Litigation and trial caseload, focusing on the representation of employers, third-party administrators and insurance carriers. While he oversees the firm's Property and Casualty Department, he was selected in the Workers' Compensation category for his more than 30 years of experience and commitment to the Workers' Compensation industry.



[Heath S. Eskalyo](#) is a Principal Partner in the firm's Fort Lauderdale office and serves as the firm's Chief Financial Officer. A Civil Trial Litigator, he focuses his practice on Workers' Compensation and OSHA defense. Mr. Eskalyo has also been a driving force in the growth of the firm and oversees its philanthropic efforts, such as the firm-wide Kelley Kronenberg Cares initiative. He was selected in the



Workers' Compensation - Defense category. [Karen M. Gilmartin](#) is a Principal Partner, Chief Legal Officer and leads the firm's Miami Lakes office. She focuses her practice on the defense of employers, carriers and self-insureds in the field of Workers' Compensation and Subrogation. She has practiced in this area more than 30 years. In 2015, she was inducted into the Workers' Compensation Hall of Fame, a select group of industry professionals who have substantially impacted the Workers' Compensation field. Additionally, Mrs. Gilmartin is certified by the state of Florida to provide continuing education courses for insurance carriers and regularly presents seminars on a

wide variety of general legal matters. She was selected in the Workers' Compensation - Defense category.



[Gary L.](#)

[Brown](#), a Partner in the firm's Fort Lauderdale office, is head of the Construction Practice Group. In this role, he assists clients in both complex and routine commercial matters with substantial experience and expertise in construction-related issues. He practices in state and federal trial and appellate courts throughout Florida. Brown is also Board Certified by The Florida Bar in Construction Law and is a published author on the subject. In 2015, he published *Florida Construction Defect Litigation*, which is now in its 4th edition. He was selected in the Construction



Litigation category. [Amy Siegel Oran](#) is a Partner in the firm's West Palm Beach office. She focuses her practice exclusively on Workers' Compensation defense, representing employers, insurance carriers, self-insured corporations, third party administrators, and claims servicing agencies. Her background includes extensive experience with all aspects of Litigation and Appellate law and a significant amount of catastrophic claim management. She was selected in the Workers' Compensation category.



[Dominick V. Tamarazzo](#) is a Partner in the firm's Fort Lauderdale office. He is highly experienced in handling a variety of complex Commercial, Construction, Insurance Defense and general Civil Litigation matters in both federal and state courts. He was selected in the Insurance Litigation – Defense category.