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## Legal Leaders

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➤ Voting for the 2012 *Florida Legal Elite* will begin in October 2011. For more information, visit [www.floridatrend.com/legalelite/2012notify](http://www.floridatrend.com/legalelite/2012notify).

# Esteemed, Endorsed, Elite

Peer recognition program garners awards for top 2% of lawyers practicing in the state.

This eighth annual edition of Florida Legal Elite recognizes a prestigious list of esteemed attorneys chosen by their colleagues.

The 1,352 lawyers listed here exemplify a standard of excellence in their profession, and by doing so have received endorsement from their peers in voting for the 2011 Florida Legal Elite.

Balloting began in October 2010 when FLORIDA TREND invited in-state members of the Florida Bar to participate. Announcements in *The Florida Bar News* publicized the ballot deadline and voting guidelines.

Lawyers were asked to name attorneys whom they hold in the highest regard or would recommend to others. They were also asked to name three "Up and Coming" attorneys and Government/Non-Profit attorneys.

The ballots were tabulated by Bradenton-based Outsource America and Suncoast Opinion Surveys in

St. Petersburg. Each lawyer was given a score based on the number of votes received: one point for votes from within their firm or three points for votes from outside their firm. Only lawyers who are currently licensed and practicing in Florida were eligible for selection.

The list of top vote-getters was further examined using membership status and histories provided by the Florida Bar. A panel of elite attorneys representing different practice areas in cities across the state, reviewed the selection process and the list of finalists.

The resulting list represents approximately 2% of the more than 66,000 active Florida Bar members practicing in Florida.

This year we induct 10 new members into the Legal Elite Hall of Fame. To achieve Hall of Fame status, an attorney must have been a Legal Elite winner at least seven times. A diverse panel of lawyers was consulted to evaluate that list and to make the final selections.

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**Cafaro, J. Rocco** / Hill Ward Henderson / Tampa  
**Campbell, Richard Bruce** / Carey, O'Malley, Whitaker & Mueller / Tampa  
**Carey, Michael R** / Carey, O'Malley, Whitaker & Mueller / Tampa  
**Copenhaver, Bradley S.** / Vezina Lawrence & Piscitelli / Tallahassee  
**Cotney, Trenton Hugh** / Glenn Rasmussen Fogarty & Hooker / Tampa  
**Espino, Alejandro** / Peterson & Espino / Miami  
**Feldman, Bret Michael** / Phelps Dunbar / Tampa  
**Fleming, Edward P.** / McDonald Fleming Moorhead / Pensacola  
**Ford, Timothy Charles** / Hill Ward Henderson / Tampa  
**Grant, William L.** / Shutts & Bowen / Orlando  
**Hornreich, Michael Alan** / Greenberg Traurig / Orlando  
**Hough Jr., Lannie Dalton** / Carlton Fields / Tampa  
**Hunt, Timothy Allen** / Hill Ward Henderson / Tampa  
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**Vento, John Sebastian** / Trenam Kemker / Tampa  
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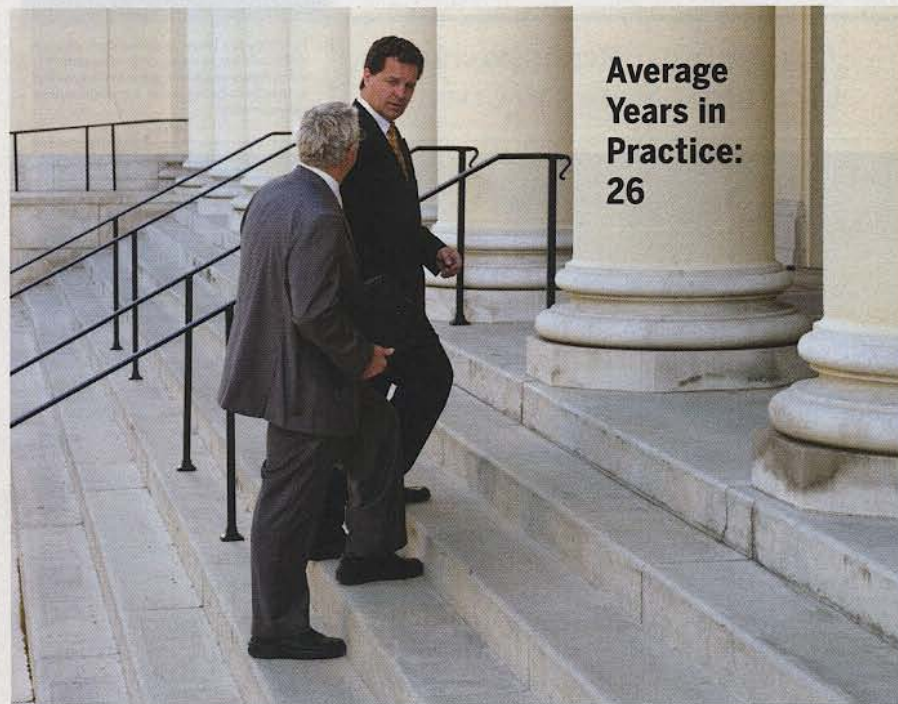
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