



## Dear Members,

As Past Presidents of The Florida Bar, we are writing this letter to show our support for Scott Westheimer who is running to serve as your next Florida Bar President-Elect. This letter speaks for the 23 listed Past Presidents who support Scott, not all past leaders. It is a tremendous honor to represent Florida's lawyers as President. None of us ever took the responsibility lightly and we did everything possible during our terms to preserve the independence of the Judicial Branch and the legal profession.

Collectively, our service spans more than 50 years. From Burton Young (1970) to Dori Foster-Morales (2020) each of our terms presented unique challenges and opportunities. That is the reason for our letter to urge you to support Scott, who has what it takes to lead us now.

Scott is a leader with a proven track record of success. He served on the Executive Committee for multiple years and chaired many of the Board of Governors' most important committees - the Program Evaluation, Communications and Disciplinary Review Committees. He spearheaded free resources for you, our members, including the redevelopment of The Florida Bar website and orchestrating the creation of Legal Fuel and the IT Helpline. Scott is a working lawyer, in a small firm (the same one he clerked at in law school), who understands what lawyers need to succeed. Practical, tangible resources that help us thrive. He appreciates the pain points we all feel and believes addressing those is the responsibility of The Florida Bar. He has a genuine commitment to serve you.

Voting begins on March 1st electronically with paper ballots arriving around the same time. Some of you may not realize the impact this vote has—whether you vote or not—but it does impact all that you've worked so hard to achieve: your dedication, livelihood, and clients.

Vote for Scott Westheimer as Florida Bar President-Elect. He has the skills, experience and

tenacity to better our profession.

Sincerely,

Francisco Angones

Tod Aronovitz

Edward Blumberg

Howard Coker

Gregory Coleman

John DeVault, III

Alan Dimond

Mayanne Downs

Dori Foster-Morales

Leonard Gilbert

Benjamin Hill, III

Kelly Overstreet Johnson

Rutledge Liles

Miles A. McGrane, III

James Fox Miller

Joseph Reiter

Gerald Richman

Herman Russomanno

John Stewart

Michelle Suskauer

John "Jay" White, III

Burton Young

Stephen Zack