



**CITY OF POMPANO BEACH  
ADVISORY BOARD / COMMITTEE  
APPLICATION**

City Clerk's Office Phone: 954-786-4611 Fax: 954-786-4095  
P. O. Drawer 1300, Pompano Beach, FL 33061  
www.pompanobeachfl.gov

Mr. \_\_\_ Mrs. \_\_\_ Ms.  Miss \_\_\_ Name: Karen Berger  
(Optional)

**Residence Information:**

Home Address: 733 NE 3rd Street  
City/State/Zip: Pompano Beach, FL 33060  
Home Phone: (703) 489-6848 Cell Phone: (703) 489-6848  
Email: karen.e.berger@gmail.com Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Information:**

Employer/Business Name: International Law Partners LLP  
Current Position / Occupation: Attorney  
Business Address: 2122 Hollywood Blvd.  
City/State/Zip: Hollywood, FL 33020  
Business Phone: (954) 374-7722 Fax: (954) 212-0170 Email: kberger@ilp.law

Are you a U.S. Citizen? Yes  No   
Are you a resident of Pompano Beach? Yes  No  Reside in District: 1  2  3  4  5   
Do you own real property in Pompano Beach? Yes  No   
Are you a registered voter? Yes  No   
Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes  No

Current or prior service on governmental boards and/or committees: N/A

**Please check the first box next to the Advisory Boards/Committees you would like to serve on:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Affordable Housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parks and Recreation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Air Park	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	*Planning & Zoning/Local Planning Agency
<input type="checkbox"/>	Architectural Appearance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Medical Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	*Police & Firefighter's Retirement System
<input type="checkbox"/>	Charter Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/>	*Employee's Board of Appeals	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pompano Beach Economic Development Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Appearance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Employee's Health Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Art Committee
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	*Community Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	*General Employee's Retirement System	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recycling & Solid Waste
<input type="checkbox"/>	CRA East	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Advisory Board	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sand & Spurs Riding Stables
<input type="checkbox"/>	CRA West	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hillsboro Inlet District	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marine
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cultural Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Historic Preservation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nuisance Abatement Board
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	*Housing Authority of Pompano Beach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	*Unsafe Structures
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	*Zoning Board of Appeals

\*Financial Disclosure Form is required, if appointed to serve, upon appointment and upon resignation/retirement.

In addition a Resume may be attached

Education: Please see attached Resume  
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Experience: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Past Positions: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_  
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***Making any false statements herein may be cause for revocation by the City Commission of any appointment to a Board/Committee.***

Signature: Karen Berger Digitally signed by Karen Berger  
Date: 2022.12.14 09:52:30 -05'00'

Date: 12/14/2022

Initials of Clerk or Deputy: \_\_\_\_\_

Date received or confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:  New Application  Currently Serving on Board  Updated Information

Note: Application is effective for one year from date of completion. If you have any questions on the above, please call the City Clerk's Office at: 954-786-4611, or send via fax to: 954-786-4095.

# KAREN E. BERGER, ESQ.

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## EDUCATION

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**Nova Southeastern University**, Shepard Broad Law Center, Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Juris Doctorate, May 2009

- Honors:* Order of the Barristers  
E. Earle Zehmer Workers' Compensation Moot Court Competition – Best Brief Award and 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up Oralists (August 2008)  
Feinrider Moot Court Upper Class Competition – Winner (October 2007)
- Activities:* VIS International Arbitration Team - Coach and Participant (2007 and 2008)  
Moot Court Society, Justice of Competitions – Scoring (August 2007 – May 2009)  
International Citator, Staff Member  
ATLA – Association of Trial Lawyers of America, Member and Competitor  
SELS - Sports and Entertainment Law Society, Member  
ELS - Environmental Law Society, Member  
Phi Alpha Delta – Fleming Chapter, Member  
SBI – Student Bar Initiative, Member

**Vanderbilt University**, Nashville, Tennessee

B.S. Double Major in Latin American and Iberian Studies and Musical Arts, May 2003

## LEGAL EXPERIENCE

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**International Law Partners, LLP**, *Litigation Attorney*

Hollywood, Florida

Oct 2018 - CURRENT

- Commercial Litigation focusing on business disputes involving contracts, real estate, construction, and employment; handle own caseload from inception through trial.
- Appellate; handle all firm appellate matters from inception through opinion.
- Litigation involving land use, zoning, and municipal regulation; handle own caseload from inception through trial.
- First Party Property Litigation; handle own caseload from inception through trial
- Plaintiff Personal Injury Litigation involving automobile negligence, slip and falls, and negligent security; handle own caseload from inception through trial.
- Prepare pleadings, discovery, and motions; handle depositions, motion hearings, and trial; additional litigation support as needed including legal research.

**Karen E. Berger, P.A.**, *Attorney*

Pompano Beach, Florida

Sept 2018 – Oct 2018

- Commercial Litigation focusing on business disputes involving contracts, real estate, construction, and employment.
- Handle court coverage for commercial litigation hearings including pre-trial conferences, motion calendar, and trials.

**Cooling & Winter, LLC**, (f/n/a **Frederick J. Hanna & Associates, P.C.**), *Senior/Supervising Attorney* (Mar 2017 – Sept 2018); *Associate Attorney* (Aug 2015 – Mar 2017)

Plantation, Florida

Aug 2015 – Sept 2018

- Commercial Litigation focusing on creditors' rights and recoveries; handle own caseload from inception through trial.

- Handle the majority of contested litigation including cases involving federal counterclaims, direct federal actions, and entitlement to attorneys' fees.
- Prepare pleadings, discovery, and motions and additional litigation support as needed including legal research.

**GA Telesis, LLC, Corporate Counsel**

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Sept 2014 – Aug 2015

- In-house counsel for one of the world's largest commercial aerospace firms which operates sales, leasing, distribution, and maintenance facilities throughout the world; prepared and reviewed company's contracts primarily for the maintenance, repair, and overhaul (MRO) divisions and government and military division.
- Handled litigation matters within Florida on behalf of company and engaged and monitored outside counsel for litigation matters outside of Florida.

**Tobin & Reyes, P.A., Associate Attorney**

Boca Raton, Florida

Feb 2013 – Sept 2014

- Commercial Litigation focusing on business disputes involving real estate, construction, and employment; handled own caseload from inception through trial.
- Prepared pleadings, discovery, and motions; additional litigation support as needed including legal research.

**Korte & Wortman, P.A., Associate Attorney**

West Palm Beach, Florida

July 2012 - Feb 2013

- Real Estate Litigation; handled foreclosure litigation on behalf of community associations.
- Additional litigation support as needed including legal research and drafting motions.

**Greenspoon Marder, P.A., Associate Attorney**

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Feb 2012 - June 2012

- Complex Commercial Litigation; handled pre-litigation matters including negotiating settlement.
- Additional litigation support as needed including drafting motions, legal research and discovery.

**Conroy Simberg, Associate Appellate Attorney**

Hollywood, Florida

July 2010 - Feb 2012

- Appellate Department; handled all stages of appeals from inception through oral argument.
- Additional litigation support as needed including legal research and drafting motions.

**Law Offices of David J. Stern, Associate Bankruptcy Attorney**

Plantation, Florida

Jan 2010 - July 2010

- Bankruptcy Department; represented creditors in Chapter 7 and 13 bankruptcies.

**Akerman Senterfitt, Law Clerk**

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

May 2008 - Aug 2008

- Bankruptcy Division; researched case law, drafted demand letters, and additional litigation support for the fraudulent transfers of the Worldwide Entertainment Group Receivership.

**Michael Richmond, Nova Southeastern University, Research Assistant**

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Aug 2007 - May 2008

- Assisted Professor Michael Richmond in tort research.

**Stephen Gaffigan, PA, Law Clerk**

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

May 2007 - Aug 2007

- Patent and trademark litigation; drafted pleadings and motions.

**Baker Botts, LLP, Paralegal**

Washington, DC

July 2004 - Aug 2006

- Litigation Division (Spanish-language cases); managed large complex litigation cases and performed cite checking, translation, and document review.

**Browdy and Neimark, PLLC, Legal Assistant**

Washington, DC

Aug 2003 - June 2004

- Intellectual Property; documented missing parts of patent applications.

**Heras Abogados, LLC, Intern**

Bilbao, SPAIN

June 2002 - Aug 2002

- Shadowed attorney, assisted with office duties, and studied Spanish Civil Law.

**BAR ADMISSIONS, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, SKILLS, AND INTERESTS**

**Florida Bar:** October 2009

**U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Middle, and Southern Districts of Florida:** February 2010

**Broward County Bar Association:** Current member

**The Ladies Annual Fish Off:** Volunteer, 2014 – Current

**Good Karma Pet Rescue of South Florida:** Foster and Volunteer, 2019 - Current

**Underwater Bar Association (“DiveBar”):** Secretary, January 2014 – December 2018

**Spanish:** Intermediate knowledge in written and spoken Spanish

**Portuguese:** Beginning knowledge in written and spoken Portuguese

**Interests:** Animal Rescue and Advocacy, Music, Scuba Diving, Fishing, and Travel