

HONORABLE DIANE B. BECK

Judge Beck was admitted to the Florida Bar in 1983 . She is also licensed to practice law (now inactive) in South Dakota and Virginia. In April 1995 she was appointed Judge of Compensation Claims in Sarasota by Governor Chiles, who re-appointed her to that position in 1997. In 2001 and 2005 she was re-appointed to the Sarasota position by Governor Bush. She previously practiced as an associate in a small law firm in Bradenton, Florida, then as a sole practitioner in Aberdeen, South Dakota, in most areas of law, including criminal defense, wills, estates, and trusts, personal injury, and divorce and family law. She was an adjunct professor of business law at Northern State University in Aberdeen, South Dakota. She served as assistant attorney general in Richmond, Virginia, representing various state agencies and funds in workers' compensation and social services matters, and represented the Department of HRS in child abuse and neglect litigation in Sarasota, Florida. She has lectured and served on panels at numerous seminars regarding workers' compensation issues. She has served in past years as the Secretary of the Conference of Judges of Compensation Claims, and as President for the 2006/2007 term.