



Celia Marie Mendez

Ms. Mendez graduated from Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree, with Honors, in Economics and Business Administration. At Rollins College, she was a member of the Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society and the Sigma Delta Pi Omicron Nu Honor Society. She attended Florida State University College of Law in Tallahassee, Florida and was President of Phi Delta Phi Honor Society and was an officer of the Spanish American Law Student Association. After graduation she worked at the First District Court of Appeals, under Judge Ford L. Thompson, completing judicial memorandum and conducting extensive legal research in support of the opinions rendered by the Court. After her years at the 1st DCA, Ms. Mendez was associated with Morgan, Colling & Gilbert, P.A., where she practiced exclusively in the workers' compensation and personal injury fields. In December of 1991 she, along with Carey L. Moreland, founded Moreland & Mendez, P.A. Moreland & Mendez, P.A., limits its practice to workers' compensation litigation, insurance defense, administrative law and servicing the general business needs of employers, insurance carriers, and trust funds throughout Florida. In 2002, Ms. Mendez was certified by the Supreme Court of Florida as a Circuit Court Mediator. Since then she has concentrated her practice exclusively to dispute resolution and has mediated thousands of cases in workers compensation and general civil matters. Ms. Mendez is a member of The Florida Bar and is licensed to practice before the Middle District Federal Court. Ms. Mendez also has the privilege of being AV rated by Martindale Hubbell. She has been past officer in both the Hispanic Bar Association and the Central Florida Association for Women Lawyers, and has been highly involved in several civic organizations, including service on the Parks and Recreation Board. She has also been nominated and accepted into the honorary American Inns of Court. Ms. Mendez has been an adjunct professor at Valencia Community College teaching in the disciplinary area of legal assistant. Presently, she donates her time and services to several charitable non-profit organizations to obtain and maintain non-profit status, including an organization that funds immunizations to children of third world countries. She is a Girl Scout Troop leader and teaches through the Catholic Youth Education and Vacation Bible School. Ms. Mendez was born in Pennsylvania, is fully bilingual in English & Spanish, and has been a resident of Central Florida for over 50 years. Most importantly Ms. Mendez is the very proud mother of two beautiful and bright children!

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