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**M**ichael Pike is the Managing Partner of Pike and Lustig, LLP located in West Palm Beach and Miami. The Firm has 8 lawyers and several support staff, and a sophisticated corporate and business litigation department involved in high-stakes litigation through Florida Federal and State Courts. Pike is known for aggressively and methodically trying several cases, including arbitration, jury and bench trials. For many years, Pike and Lustig has represented notable law firms in connection with employment and partnership disputes, Florida Bar Complaints and other business related matters. Pike is known as the “lawyer’s lawyer.”

The Firm also represents several medical practices throughout the State of Florida in connection with employment disputes, drafting of corporate documents, physician practice management and employment agreements along with billing guidance regarding CPT codes. This area of law often involves the representation and counseling of orthopedic surgeons, spine surgeons, neurologists and other medical professionals.

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Pike and Lustig handles derivative actions, shareholder disputes, partner disputes, non-compete disputes, contract disputes, real estate disputes, trademark and copyright disputes, appeals in both State and Federal Courts, Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO) – State and Federal, and Federal overtime cases. Pike was also selected as a Top 100 High Stakes Litigator and is AV Rated.

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**M**aurice Grant is the founder of Grant Law, LLC. He is a nationally recognized and highly respected attorney who believes in providing superior client service with unwavering integrity and an impressive record of results.

Mr. Grant specializes in business and commercial litigation, employment, healthcare and real estate. He successfully represents clients ranging from large Fortune 500 companies, to government entities, healthcare entities, medium and small business, and individuals.

Mr. Grant is a former judicial law clerk for Justice Calvin C. Campbell of the Illinois Appellate Court.

During his career, Maurice has served the legal community as a member of the Board of Managers, Chair of the Solo and Small Firm Committee, the Finance Committee, Pro Bono General Counsel, and Treasurer for the Chicago Bar Association.

A licensed member of the Illinois Bar United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Seventh Circuit Court and the United States Supreme Court, Maurice has been recognized on the Super Lawyer list by legal industry publication, Super Lawyer Magazine, and Legal Lawyer every year from 2012 to 2022, for his accomplishments in commercial litigations. In 2013, he was honored as a Business Leader of Color by Chicago United.

Maurice Grant was honored most recently by the Chicago Bar Association as recipient of the prestigious Earl Burrus Dickerson Award. The award, established in honor of the late Earl B. Dickerson, the first African-American to receive a law degree from the University of Chicago, is presented to lawyers and judges who have fought for justice and equality throughout their legal careers.

Maurice has been featured in prestigious Forbes® Magazine (June 2017 issue, “How One Minority-Led Law Firm is Climbing to the Top”), and in Leading LawyersSM Magazine (2017 article, “Maurice Grant: Shattering Perceptions in the Legal Industry”).

In addition, Maurice has served as an adjunct faculty member at the Illinois Institute of Technology Chicago Kent College of Law where he taught Legal Drafting General Practice to second year law students. He also was a member of the PLI (“Practicing Law Institute”) faculty.

Maurice graduated from the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. Prior to attending law school, he earned a Bachelor of Arts in History from DePaul University and attended graduate school, at DePaul University majoring in Europe and African History.



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## GREGORY A. LOMAX

Gregory A. Lomax is a seasoned and accomplished trial and appellate lawyer with 30 years' experience in representing clients in a variety of business disputes, with a special focus on intracompany disputes involving business divorces, owner derivative claims, claims of shareholder oppression and fraud, and fiduciary duty matters. Greg also represents clients in a variety of other business-related litigation matters, including intellectual property claims, restrictive covenant and other matters involving claims for injunctive relief, contract disputes, commercial landlord/tenant matters and other real estate disputes, as well as class action matters.

While Greg is experienced in a full range of complex commercial litigation matters, Greg is widely recognized as one of the top business divorce lawyers in New Jersey, having successfully tried to verdict many significant multi-million dollar closely-held intracompany disputes throughout his career. In doing so, Greg has assembled a formidable trial team of highly accomplished lawyers and former judicial law clerks who have significant experience in complex business disputes who enable Greg's firm, Lauletta Birnbaum, to compete favorably with much larger law firms in terms of expertise, fee flexibility and cost. Lauletta Birnbaum is a boutique firm that is primarily made up of Big Law trained lawyers who left big firms to provide their clients the same topnotch legal services, but without the enormous overhead and costs endemic at those larger firms.

Greg is admitted in the state and federal courts of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, as well as the United States Court of Appeals in and for the Third Circuit. Greg has been rated AV-Preeminent from Martindale Hubbell since 2003. Greg has been selected in the *New Jersey Monthly* magazine, *Super Lawyers* edition, as a New Jersey -Super Lawyer for 2005-2009 and 2011-2017.



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Founded in 1993, Rosen Saba, LLP is a law firm of twelve civil trial lawyers who prosecute and defend individual claims, mass actions and class actions in both federal and state courts. The firm's primary focus is on catastrophic injuries, professional responsibility, employment disputes, and complex business matters.

Known for its creativity and work ethic, Rosen Saba routinely obtains some of the largest plaintiffs' verdicts and settlements in their practice areas. In 2020, the firm obtained a \$25.6 million trial verdict, the year's largest personal injury verdict in California and 20th largest such jury verdict in the USA. Additionally, the firm settled the most watched and high-profile legal malpractice claim in California. Despite the COVID pandemic's impact on the court system, the firm also recently settled two eight-figure matters and six seven-figure cases for plaintiff clients.

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Rosen Saba, LLP is rated Best Law Firms by ALM, Tier 1 (highest) by U.S. News and World Report, AV-Preeminent (also highest) by Martindale Hubbell, and was named a "Top Boutique Law Firm" in California by the Daily Journal. Jim Rosen (Chapter VP) and Ryan Saba are both members of the American Board of Trial Advocates and have been honored as Southern California "Super Lawyers" for multiple years in succession. Partner Elizabeth Bradley is a member of The State Bar of California Committee on Professional Responsibility. In 2021, Francesca Dioguardi was elevated to partnership for her tenacious representation of defense clients. Tyler Vanderpool is a repeat "Rising Star" honoree. In 2022, Rosen Saba proudly welcomed Todd Lander as a new partner of the law firm.

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**P**aul K. Schrieffer is the founding partner of P.K. Schrieffer LLP. He is an active trial lawyer in courts throughout California and has litigated cases in states throughout the United States. Mr. Schrieffer acts as national monitoring counsel for Underwriters at Lloyd's and London companies in multi-district federal court litigation, as well as in state courts. Mr. Schrieffer has tried complex, high exposure cases for many clients during his 25-year career, ranging from insurance bad faith and broker E&O to wrongful termination and catastrophic personal injury, wrongful death and construction. He has also represented event cancellation and contingency insurers nationally and internationally, including legal matters arising from such tours as Michael Jackson's "This Is It" concerts in London, England, Kanye West, Foo Fighters World Tour, Taylor Swift, Madonna, Christina Aguilera, Kings of Leon, Nicki Minaj, The Beastie Boys, YES LLC and Live Earth Concerts. Mr. Schrieffer represents Tech and Cyber insurers throughout the U.S. and in the London market and regularly represents NBC, Universal Studios, AIRBNB, Postmates and other Fortune 500 companies in litigated matters and key companies and individuals in the entertainment industry.

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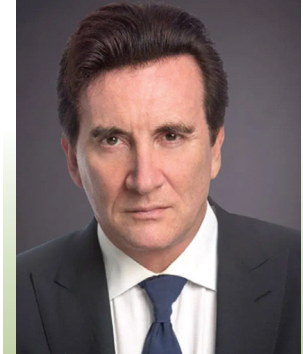
**B**reton ("Bret") Bocchieri is a well-known trial lawyer with extensive experience in patent, other IP and business litigation with many notable victories, including an award of over 117 million dollars, that have been reported in the national press, law school text books, television and the legal press.

Throughout his career, Bret has demonstrated creativity and leadership in establishing important legal precedents which have been the subject of numerous law review articles and over a dozen legal treatises.

Bret is also a well-regarded author on litigation strategy and tactics and his publications have been cited and discussed in many legal and business journals. His victories and their impact have been and continue to be featured in the national press and television news programs, including The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, Los Angeles Times, The Daily Journal, The Recorder, IP 360, CNN Headline News, ABC, and many legal organizations. He has been named a California Super Lawyer from 2000 on, an IP Star in Managing IP Magazine since its first issue in 2013 to the present, AV Rated by Martindale Hubbell from 1998 to the present and selected as Trade Secret Lawyer of the Year in California, 2019 Corporate International Globe Awards.

Bocchieri & Lachuk, Intellectual Law Group PC is a firm of highly experienced and seasoned litigators who have been partners and had leadership positions in large top tier national law firms and Fortune 200 companies. Their resumes reflect the decades of finely honed and laser-focused discipline that they bring to each case.

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Ted obtained the largest jury verdict in a sinkhole case in Pinellas County – an award of \$12.7 million. As a leading Large Loss insurance lawyer, Ted is highly regarded by the Bench and Bar alike for his level of attention to detail, unique depth of experience, high ethical standards, professional excellence and dedicated advocacy. Counseling residential and commercial property owners, Community Managed Associations (CMA), Community Association Managers (CAM), Homeowners Associations (HOA), Professional Community Association Managers (PCAM) and Licensed Community Association Managers (LCAM) whose insurance claims have been delayed or denied, CLG litigates storm, tornado, flood, fire and sinkhole damage claims.

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