

RICHARD KUPER, ESQ.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

November 2004-

Present Executive Director, Miami-Dade County League of Cities

March 1996-

Present Attorney, Law Offices of Richard Kuper, P.A.. Areas of practice include governmental relations and administrative law, representation of individuals accused of State felonies and misdemeanors, personal injury and bond counsel.

February 2003-

February 2005 Assistant State Attorney; Law Offices of the Honorable Katherine Fernandez-Rundle State Attorney 11th Judicial Circuit, Miami, Florida: Worked directly with Ms. Fernandez-Rundle, regarding legal and community issues. Provided media relations, as well as attended weekly local radio programs.

July 1997-

January 2003 Attorney Special Master, Value Adjustment Board, Miami Dade County: Preside over taxpayers' complaints relating to homestead and agricultural exemptions and substantial completion cases; hear appeals from applications in accordance with Florida Statutes, and rules promulgated by the Florida Department of Revenue.

May 2001-

Present Arbitrator, National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc..

December 1993-

November 2001 Chief of Staff, The Honorable Wilfredo (Willy) Gort, Commissioner, City of Miami: Administer the Commissioner's office and supervise staff members; facilitate the Commissioner's preparation on legal and political issues affecting the health, safety and welfare of City constituents; assist the Commissioner in his capacity as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Downtown Development Authority in policy making and executive function oversight.

January 1987-

November 1993 Assistant Public Defender: Trial Attorney, Law Offices of The Honorable Bennett Brummer, Public Defender, 11th Judicial Circuit, Miami, Florida; Provide legal counsel to the indigent criminally accused in felony actions; specializing in litigation, negotiation and settlement, and pre-trial motion practice.

Training Attorney: Train and supervise attorneys in all matters relating to the representation of indigent criminally accused in misdemeanor and criminal traffic violations, including jury trial preparation and motion practice.

May 1983-

November 1983 Law Clerk, The Honorable Mario Goderich, Circuit Judge, Civil Division,
11th Judicial Circuit: Legal research and writing, provided advisory
opinions to the Court.

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE:

September 1976-

Present Vice President, Rick's Men's and Children's Wear, Inc.: Assist in operating
family-owned retail clothing business, including sales, purchasing,
marketing and management.

CIVIC & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

City of Miami Beach Planning Board Member
Florida Association of Prosecutors
Florida Board of Realtors, Active License
Downtown Miami Partnership, Board Member (former)
Downtown Miami Community Development Coalition, Board Member (former)
Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Associate Counsel (former)
Cuban American Bar Association, Treasurer & Executive Board Member (former)
Bnai B'rith Bench and Bar Unit (former)
Anti-Defamation League of Bnai B'rith, Regional Board (former)
Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Miami Chapter (former)
Association for Retarded Citizens, South Florida, President (former)
Spanish American League Against Discrimination, Board Member (former)
Numerous appearances on Latin television and radio programs relating to
civic and professional issues.

EDUCATION:

University of Miami School of Law
Juris Doctor Degree, August 1987

University of Miami School of Business
Baccalaureate in Business Administration, May 1983

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE LAW:

The Florida Bar
United States District Court, Southern District
United States Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit

Languages: Fluent in Spanish