



PHILIP J. SHECHTER, CPA, ABV, CVA

CURRICULUM VITAE

SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

Partner in the firm with 40 years of experience in audit, tax consulting, litigation support and business valuation services. In charge of firm's litigation support and business valuation services. Has been qualified as an expert and has provided expert testimony in depositions in excess of 3000 times in both state and federal courts all related to commercial litigation and family law engagements.

EDUCATION

- University of Florida - Gainesville, Florida
Bachelor of Science in Accounting - With Honors (1982)

PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

- Certified Public Accountant
 - Regulated by the State of Florida (1983)
 - Accredited in Business Valuation (ABV) (2006)
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants - Member
 - Member - AICPA Business Valuation and Forensic & Litigation Services Section
- Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants – Member
 - Member - FICPA Valuation, Forensic Accounting and Litigation Services Section
- National Association of Certified Valuation Analysts
 - Certified Valuation Analyst ("CVA") (1997)
- Association of Certified Fraud Examiners

BUSINESS MEMBERSHIPS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- "Top CPA's and Financial Professionals", South Florida Legal Guide, 2016
- "Top CPA's and Financial Professionals", South Florida Legal Guide, 2015
- "Top CPA's and Financial Professionals", South Florida Legal Guide, 2014
- "The First Family Law American Inn of Court Award", Winner, 2013
- "Top CPA's and Financial Professionals", South Florida Legal Guide, 2013
- "Top CPA's and Financial Professionals", South Florida Legal Guide, 2012
- "Top 25 Litigation Support Accounting Firms", South Florida Business Journal, 2011
- "Top CPA's and Financial Professionals", South Florida Legal Guide, 2011
- "Top CPA's and Financial Professionals", South Florida Legal Guide, 2010
- "Top Impact CPA Leader Award" Winner, South Florida Business Leader, 2010
- "Key Partners Award" Winner, South Florida Business Journal, 2006
- "Excellence in Accounting Award" Finalist, South Florida Business Journal, 2005
- "Top CPA's in Litigation Support" Winner, South Florida Legal Guide, 2005
- "Excellence in Accounting Award" Finalist, South Florida Business Journal, 2004



- The Institute of Business Appraisers - Member
- Business Valuation Research Institute - Member
- International Academy of Collaborative Professionals - Member
- Collaborative Family Lawyers Institute – Member
- Collaborative Family Lawyers of South Florida, Inc. – Member
- Court appointed as a receiver, monitor and guardian in various matter

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Former Director of Biscayne Bank, Audit Committee & Asset and Liability Committee
- Kidside – Committee for 100 Friends of Kidside

PUBLISHED ARTICLES

- Chapter 38, Tax Effects of Dissolution of Marriage June 2020 (“Matthew Bender and Company, Inc.”)
- “Divorce by the Numbers”, Family Advocate, 2011. Published by American Bar Association, Family Law Section
- “Stock Options and Divorce”, Smart Business Magazine, October 2008 issue
- “See You In Court”, Smart Business Magazine, October 2007 issue
- “Bridging a Breakup”, Journal of Accountancy, October 2006 issue
- “Are alimony and child support taxable? If so, is there any way of structuring support payments to my ex to lower my taxes?” Special Feature ‘Question & Answer’ section Florida’s Divorce Magazine, Marchand June 2004 issues
- “Divorce By the Numbers”, Family Advocate, 2004. Published by American Bar Association, Family Law Section
- “Federal Income Taxes Affecting Real Estate”, Bert Rodgers Schools of Real Estate, 1998 Edition

LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, May 06 2022 “Tax Implications for the Divorce Professional”
- 11th Judicial Circuit for Miami-Dade County Judicial Seminar Series, “Hidden Assets”, “Supportive Relationships” and “KAA A “November 2018, Miami, Florida
- 11th Judicial Circuit for Miami-Dade County Judicial Seminar Series, “Financial Affidavit”, “Alimony of child support”, and “Business valuation” March 2018 Miami, Florida
- 11th Judicial Circuit for Miami-Dade County Judicial Seminar Series – “Alimony, Child Support and Equitable Distribution”, July 27, 2017, Miami, Florida
- 11th Judicial Circuit for Miami-Dade County Judicial Seminar Series – “Forensic Examination, Business Valuation and Income Tax”, June 20, 2017, Miami, Florida
- West Broward Estate Planning Council, “Estate Planning and Divorce”, May 10, 2017, Weston, Florida.



- 11th Judicial Circuit for Miami-Dade County Judicial Seminar Series - "Financial Affidavit and Taxation", May 8, 2017, Miami, Florida
- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, "Goodwill: Attacking the Citadel (Pros and Cons)", May 5, 2017, Orlando, Florida.
- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, "The Accountants Perspective", January, 27, 2017, Orlando, Florida.
- The First Family Law Inns of Court, "Proposed Regulations Under Internal Revenue Code 2704 & Their Effect on Business Valuations in Family Law Cases", October 18, 2016, Miami, Florida.
- American Bar Association, Section of Family Law 2016 Spring CLE Conference, "How and Why Transparency Works for Family Law: The Transparency Team Presents the Hands-On-Approach", May 12, 2016, Paradise Island, Bahamas.
- University of Miami School of Law, "Alternative Dispute Resolution Methods and Motion Practice in Family Law", April 7, 2016, Miami, Florida.
- Lorman Education Services Seminar, "Advanced Tax Considerations in Divorce", February 15, 2016, Miami, Florida.
- University of Miami School of Law, "Role of a Forensic Accountant," February 11, 2016, Miami, Florida.
- Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Valuation, Forensic Accounting and Litigation Services Conference, "How to Successfully Manage your Family Law Practice," January 7, 2016 and January 8, 2016, Fort Lauderdale, Florida
- 11th Judicial Circuit for Miami-Dade County Judicial Seminar Series, "Financial Affidavit & Taxation"
- September 21, 2015 and September 22, 2015, Miami, Florida
- 11th Judicial Circuit for Miami-Dade County Judicial Seminar Series, "Forensic Examinations and Business Valuations", October 16, 2015 and October 30, 2015, Miami, Florida
- The Role of Business Valuation in South Florida Accounting, Consulting, and Financial Firms, May 23, 2014, Coral Gables, Florida
- American Society of Appraisers, "The Role of Business Valuation in South Florida Accounting, Consulting, and Financial Firms", May 23, 2014, Coral Gables, Florida
- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, May 2, 2014 – May 3, 2014, Tampa, Florida
- Fort Lauderdale Estate Planning Council of Broward County, Inc., "Estate Planning Re: Divorce", September 11, 2013.
- 11th Judicial Circuit for Miami-Dade County Judicial Seminar Series, "Business Valuations and Forensic Examinations" and "Financial Affidavit and Taxation," September & October, 2012, Miami, Florida
- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, May 3, 2012 – May 5, 2012, Orlando, Florida
- University of Miami School of Law, "Role of the Forensic Accountant," March 8, 2012, Miami, Florida
- Florida Venture Capital Forum Conference, Business Valuations, January 31, 2012, Naples, Florida



- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, April 28, 2011 – April 30, 2011, Orlando, Florida
- University of Miami School of Law, “Role of the Forensic Accountant,” February 10, 2011, Miami, Florida
- 17th Annual Broward County Accounting & Auditing Seminar “Financial Affidavit, An OCBOA Statement”, June, 18, 2010, Miami, Florida
- 17th Annual Miami-Dade County Accounting & Auditing Seminar “Financial Affidavit, An OCBOA Statement” , June 4, 2010, Miami, Florida
- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers “Celebrity Divorce and How to Apply the Same Techniques to Any Case”, April 29
- May 1, 2010, Orlando, Florida
- The Florida Bar “The Use of Forensic Accountants to Figure Out Finances in Family Actions”, March 24, 2010, Miami, Florida
- The Florida Chapter of AFCC “Managing New Challenges” Riding the Wave to a Better Future: Moving Toward Success in Family Law, March 12, 2010, Tampa, Florida
- The Collaborative Family Law Institute “The Collaborative Law Process: A New Way of Doing Divorce”, January 20, 2010, Miami, Florida
- American Bar Association Section of Family Law 2009 Fall CLE Conference
- “Today’s Celebrity and High Net-Worth Client” Demonstration from the Alex Rodriguez Divorce Case, October 7-10, 2009, Montreal, Quebec, Canada
- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers “Case Study on Business Valuation”, April 30 – May 2, 2009, Orlando, Florida.
- Florida Bar – Family Law Section “Financial Affidavit by Forensic Accountants and Creative Attorneys in the French Quarter”, April 16-17, 2009, New Orleans, LA
- AFCC - Florida Chapter “Thinking Outside the Box: Innovative Approaches to Families in the Courts”, February 27-28, 2009,

Tampa, Florida

- Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants “Preparation of Financial Affidavits in Divorce and OCBOA Financial Statement”, May 16, 2008, Tallahassee, Florida
- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers “Understanding Corporate & Personal Tax Returns”, May 8, 2008, Orlando, Florida
- Lorman Education Services Seminar “Divorce, Mediation, Accounting and Tax Issues”, April 24, 2008, Miami, Florida
- Lorman Education Services Seminar “Divorce: Accounting and Tax Issues in Florida”, April 27, 2007
- Lorman Education Services Seminar “Divorce: Accounting and Tax Issues in Florida”, April 27, 2006
- University of Florida, Accounting Conference “Preparation of a Family Law Financial Affidavit: An OCBOA Financial Statement”, October 5, 2006,



Gainesville, Florida

- Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Guest Speaker “Financial Affidavits”
- OCBOA Financial Statement”, June 22, 2005
- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Mediation – The Act of Mediation – “Are You Ready To Settle?”, 27th Annual Institute May 6th & 7th 2005, Tampa, Florida
- St. Thomas University, Lecture “Interviewing and Obtaining Information in a Divorce Case” November 14, 2005
- North Side Brokers Association, Guest Speaker Tax Issues for Realtors, April 21, 2004
- Women’s Council of Realtors, Miami Dade South Chapter, Guest Speaker “Tax Issues for Realtors”, February 12, 2004
- "Family Mediation Training", Lecture for Mediation Services, Inc., December 7, 2003
- Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Guest Speaker “The Accountant’s Role in Litigation Support and Forensic Accounting”, May 23, 2001