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Mitchell W. Berger founded Berger Singerman in 1985. He has nearly 40 years of successful representation in commercial disputes, including Fortune 500 companies.

Education

J.D., Temple University Beasley School of Law

- Member of the Law Quarterly

B.A., *magna cum laude*, Lafayette College

- Member of Omicron Delta Epsilon and The International Economics Honor Society

Bar Admissions

Florida
New Jersey

Tennessee
U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Florida
U.S. Court of Appeals, Third, Sixth and Eleventh Circuits
U.S. Court of Federal Claims
U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Tennessee
U.S. District Court, New Jersey
U.S. District Court, Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Florida
U.S. Supreme Court
U.S. Tax Court

Practice Teams

Dispute Resolution

Practice Areas

Administrative Hearings & Appeals
Appellate
Bankruptcy Litigation
Class Action Litigation
Complex Commercial Litigation
Complex Fraud & Securities Litigation
Construction Litigation
Real Estate Litigation

Representative Matters

Represented AOL Time Warner, AT&T, Bergeron Companies, Corporation of America, Econolodges of America, Banco Espirito Santo, GEO, Harbourside, Hospital Corporations of America, Kendall Properties, Lender Processing Services, Oren Koules (Owner of The Tampa Bay Lightning), State of Florida Department of Financial Services, Terranova, The Broadstone Group,The Commerce Group, The Falcone Group, U.S. Immigration Fund, U.S. Mortgage Corporation, Valley Drug Company. Additionally, Mitchell represented Vice President Al Gore and Joseph Lieberman in the post-2000 election Florida lawsuits in Bush v. Gore.

Awards & Honors

- *Chambers & Partners USA, America's Leading Business Lawyers*, Litigation - General Commercial, 2010-2026
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, 2006-2025; 2027
- *Florida Super Lawyers,* 2006-2023
  - Top 100 Miami, 2014-2016
- *Florida Trend*
  - Florida 500 Most Influential Business Leaders, Law, 2018-2020
  - Florida Legal Elite, 2008

- *South Florida Legal Guide*
  - Top Lawyers, 2007-2020
  - Top 10 Lawyers of the Decade, 2010
- Nova Southeastern University's Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship, Entrepreneur Hall of Fame, 2010
- *Gold Coast Magazine*, 50 Most Powerful People in Broward County, 2009
- Excellence Award from the South Florida Water Management District, 2001
- *National Law Journal*, Co-Lawyer of the Year, 2000
- While on the board of the South Florida Water Management District, the Board and the Agency received the Environmental Merit Award 2000 from the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 4, for appreciation and recognition of outstanding environmental stewardship
- Received the Humanitarian Tree of Life Award from the City of Hope
- *Martindale- Hubbell*, AV® Preeminent™ rated

Community Activities / Associations

Private Boards:

- Chair of the Student Loan Marketing Association Sallie Mae (Presidential Appointment) (August, 1998 - July, 2001)
- Elected as Vice Chairman (1995-1996)
- Appointed as a Director (Presidential appointment) (March, 1994 - July, 2001)
- Oversaw initial privatization of Sallie Mae

Public Boards and Commissions:

- Member of the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District, appointed by Governor Lawton Chiles and confirmed by the Florida State Senate (1997 to March, 2001)
- Chair, Audit Committee of South Florida Water Management District (1999 to March, 2001)
- Member, Broward County Water Advisory Board (1999 to March, 2001)
- Member, Governors Commission for a Sustainable South Florida (1997-1999)
- Co-Chair Natural Resources Subcommittee
- Member, Florida Keys Advisory Board (1997-1999)
- Environmental Merit Award 2000 from the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 4, for appreciation and recognition of outstanding environmental stewardship – awarded to the District (2000)
- Member of the United States Small Business Agency Advisory Board (1996-1998)
- Commissioner on the Florida Environmental Commission. Appointed twice by Governor Lawton Chiles, and confirmed by the Florida State Senate (1991-1997)
- Member of the Environmental Financial Advisory Board to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (1993-1995)
- Co-Chair of the Community Relations Committee for the Summit of the Americas, Miami, Florida. Appointed by Governor Lawton Chiles (1994)
- Member of President Clinton's Transition Team, Personnel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Department of the Interior (1992-1993)
- Member of the Broward County Management Review Commission (1989-1991)

Charitable and Educational Boards:

- Member of the Board of Trustees Nova Southeastern University (November 2006 to present), Audit Committee, Strategic Planning Committee
- Member of the Board of Governors of Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center (2002 to present)
- Member of the Board of Governors of Nova Southeastern University H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship (1991 to present)
- Member of the Advisory Board to the Master's Program in Real Estate Development and Management being offered by Nova University (1989-1990)
- Member of the Board of Governors of Nova Southeastern University's School of Oceanography
- Member of the Committee Regarding Fort Lauderdale Federal Courthouse (July 2009 to present)
- Member of the Federal Judicial Bar and Community Liaison Committee (June 2009 to present)
- Member of the Board of Visitors of Temple University School of Law (2001 to present)
- Trustee of the Florida Supreme Court Historical Society (June 2008 to present)
- Member of the Task Force on Complex Civil Litigation (2006 - 2009)
- Member of the Jury Instructions Committee (2006 – 2009)
- Alumni Associate Member of the Trustee Committee on Development and Alumni Affairs of Lafayette College (May 2006 to 2009)
- Member of the Board of The Nature Conservancy of Florida (2001 to 2008)
- Chairman of the Fundraising Committee of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) 2008 Miami Host Committee
- Member of the Board of Trustees, North Broward Preparatory Schools (2006 to 2008)
- Member of the Florida Atlantic University Broward Advisory Board (1996 to 2001)
- Counsel to the Broward Community Health Purchasing Alliance (CHPA) (1994-2000)
- Member of the Boys and Girls Club of Broward County Capital Campaign Cabinet (1996-2000)
- Chairman of the Continuing Legal Education Committee, Chattanooga Bar Association (1982-1984)

Political:

- Co-Leader of the Campaign For Change (National Democratic Coordinated Campaign) (2008), Member of the National Finance Board of Obama Victory Fund (2008)
- Candidate as Presidential Elector (2004)
- Co-Chair of the Democratic National Committee Battleground Victory Fund (2004)
- Co-Chair of the National Finance Board, Joe Lieberman For President (2004)
- Chair of the Federal Victory Fund, Democratic National Committee (2000)
- Delegate to the Democratic National Convention (2000)
- Candidate as Presidential Elector (2000)
- Senior Advisor to the Gore 2000 Campaign
- Finance Chair of the Florida Democratic Party (1994 to March, 1997, and 2001-2002)
- Co-Chair of the National Finance Council of National Democratic Committee (1994 to March, 1997)
- Presidential Elector (1996)
- Delegate to the Democratic National Convention (1996)

In the News

Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 33rd Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 20, 2026

Berger Singerman Recognized by Chambers USA for 23rd Consecutive Year
June 4, 2026

Politico Features Mitchell Berger in, "20 Years Before Jan. 6, Al Gore Stood Up to His Own Party. Mike Pence Was Watching"
January 5, 2025

Fifty-Six Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2025 Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 15, 2024

Mitchell Berger Appointed to Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiations
February 28, 2024

Law360 Mentions Berger Singerman in “Pot Co. Founder Sues In Del. To Stop Wrigley-Backed Reorg"
October 20, 2023

Berger Singerman Recognized by Chambers USA for Twentieth Consecutive Year
June 1, 2023

Forty-Three Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2023 Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 18, 2022

Twenty-three Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in 2022 Edition of Florida Super Lawyers
June 27, 2022

Berger Singerman Recognized by Chambers USA for Nineteenth Consecutive Year
June 1, 2022

Thirty-Nine Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2022 Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 19, 2021

Nineteen Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in 2021 Edition of Florida Super Lawyers
June 24, 2021

Daily Business Review Quotes Mitchell Berger in, "'Everybody Had to Scramble': How Chief Judge Jack Tuter Led Broward Circuit Through COVID-19 Pandemic"
May 4, 2021

James Berger and Mitchell Berger Recognized by Florida Trend 500
September 22, 2020

Twenty-Seven Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in 2020 Edition of Florida Super Lawyers
June 8, 2020

Twenty-one Berger Singerman Attorneys Listed in South Florida Legal Guide as Top Attorneys
October 31, 2019

Thirty Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2020 Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 14, 2019

Twenty-Eight Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in 2019 Edition of Florida Super Lawyers
May 29, 2019

Berger Singerman Recognized by Chambers USA for Sixteenth Consecutive Year
April 24, 2019

South Florida Legal Guide Names 21 Berger Singerman Attorneys as Top Lawyers
March 7, 2019

Thirty Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2019 Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 14, 2018

Thirty-One Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in 2018 Edition of Florida Super Lawyers
June 17, 2018

Berger Singerman Recognized by Chambers USA for 15th Consecutive Year
May 2, 2018

South Florida Legal Guide Names 23 Berger Singerman Attorneys as Top Lawyers
January 9, 2018

Thirty Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2018 Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 14, 2017

Thirty-Two Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2017 Super Lawyers Florida Edition
June 8, 2017

Berger Singerman Receives High Marks by Chambers USA for Fourteenth Consecutive Year
May 29, 2017

Daily Business Review mentions Mitchell Berger and Sharon Kegerreis on "Nova Southeastern's Law School to Open Legal Clinic Focusing on IP and Corporate Law"
February 8, 2017

Sharon and Mitchell W. Berger Entrepreneur Law Clinic Established at Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad College of Law
February 7, 2017

Sun Sentinel quotes Mitchell Berger on "South Florida 100 Forum November 13"
November 11, 2016

Twenty-Eight Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2017 Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 14, 2016

Daily Business review mentions Mitchell Berger in "Federal Appeals Court Rejects Public-Records Racketeering Case"
June 22, 2016

Thirty-Six Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2016 Super Lawyers Florida Edition
June 13, 2016

Berger Singerman's Dispute Resolution Team Receives High Marks by Chambers USA
June 7, 2016

Berger Singerman Receives High Marks by Chambers USA for Thirteenth Consecutive Year
June 1, 2016

Publications

South Florida Business Journal "Litigation risks high in Florida: Business owners and property managers should be on alert"
February 16, 2021

Daily Business Review, "Distinguished Leader: Mitchell Berger"
October 11, 2020

Nova Law Review, "The Electoral College: Appendicitis of American Democracy"
March 2019

Nova Law Review, "The Constitutional Implications of Government Funding for Florida's Primary Voting Process: Is It Constitutionally Permissible to Publicly Fund the Two Major Parties' Primaries to the Exclusion of All Other Political Parties?"
Fall 2008

Nova Law Review, "Presidential Elections - The Right to Vote and Access to the Ballot"
Spring 2005

Nova Law Review, "Election 2000: The Law of Tied Presidential Elections"
Spring 2002