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### WELCOME ABOARD!



As our readers know, this firm's practice is devoted to the representation of condominium and homeowner associations.

We are proud to announce the addition of the following associations to our list of clientele: **Sierra Ridge, The Yorker and Rosales Condominiums** in Miami, **Everret Arms No. 8 Assoc** in Pompano Beach, **Golfside Villas and Aloma Business Center Condominiums** in Winter Park, **Blue Sky, Coral Bay Racquet Club and Penn Condominiums** in Miami Beach, **Ola Condominium** in North Miami, **Mediterranean Village Master** in Aventura, **Bent Tree Villas** in Boynton Beach, **Meadowbrook Lakes View Condo "A"** and **Yacht Club at Treasure Cove HOA** in Davie, **Turnpike Distribution Center** in Boca Raton, **Atlantic Ocean Club Condo** in Fort Lauderdale, **Granville Condominium "G"** in Plantation, **Tahoma Apts, Condominium** in Bal Harbor, **Yacht Club At Treasure Cove HOA** and **South Pointe Cove Condo** in Coral Gables. We can assure you that we appreciate the business and confidence placed in our firm.

### A SUPREME TRADITION



In what has now become a firm tradition, on November 28th, Eric Glazer had the honor of addressing the United States Supreme Court, requesting that the associate attorneys at Glazer and Associates be granted admission to The Bar of the United States Supreme Court. The Chief Justice John Roberts granted the motion.

### BOARD MEMBER CERTIFICATION



Eric Glazer is the first attorney in the State to design a course approved by the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, which allows him to certify people who wish to serve on a condominium board of directors. Since the Florida Legislature mandated that Board members become certified, Eric has certified over 2,000 people. Remember that as of July 1st, 2011 one way that a person can get certified is by attending a course within one year before being elected to the Board or within 90 days of having actually been elected. Moreover, recertification is not required if the director serves on the board without interruption. Keep in mind that legislation has recently been proposed which will require HOA Board members to become certified as well. Here is a list of our upcoming seminars:

**Orlando:** February 18th at noon at The Hard Rock Hotel;

**West Palm Beach:** February 29th at 3:00 at the South Florida Fairgrounds at PM-Expo;

**Punta Gorda:** March 27th at 9:30 a.m. at the Charlotte Harbor Event & Convention Center at PM-Expo;

**Hollywood:** April 5th, 7:00 p.m. at The Hard Rock Hotel and Casino.

To register for any of these seminars, please go to: [www.condocrazeandhoas.com](http://www.condocrazeandhoas.com) and click on the Board Certification Tab.

## HELLO NAPLES!!!!!!!



Glazer and Associates, P.A. is proud to announce the opening of its Naples office at The Premier Executive Center and a satellite office in Fort Myers. For nearly twenty years, the attorneys at Glazer and Associates, P.A. have had the honor and privilege of representing condominium associations, homeowner associations and their members throughout South Florida and now bring their experience to Naples. We look forward to meeting so many of you at our seminars, hearing your calls on our Condo Craze and HOAs radio show and reading your comments on our Orlando Sentinel blog. To learn more about our firm and how we can help your association, view profiles about our attorneys, read our quarterly newsletters and read newspaper and magazine articles from around the country that have quoted the attorneys at the firm, please visit the firm's website at: [www.florida-association-law.com](http://www.florida-association-law.com).

## CONDO CRAZE AND HOA'S



The firm's radio show "Condo Craze and HOA's" has been heard each Sunday at noon on 850 WFTL in South Florida for the past two years. The show is also streamed live on the web at [www.850wftl.com](http://www.850wftl.com) and you can listen to the show on your smart phone device. Please visit the show's website at [www.condocrazeandhoas.com](http://www.condocrazeandhoas.com) where you can learn more about the show's hosts and guests, **listen to all prior shows**, e-mail us your questions to be answered on the show, link to our Facebook page and visit all of our sponsor's websites as well. You can also call in with your questions during the show to 877-850-8585 and we'll answer them live and on the air.

## READ OUR BLOG

### Orlando Sentinel

Remember to read our new HOA and Condo Law blog on-line on the Orlando Sentinel's website. Each Monday we start the week discussing the latest and greatest issues effecting associations throughout our state. Have your voice heard as well. We would love your participation!

## A SUPREMELY IMPORTANT CASE



On February 11th, 2011 Eric Glazer had the honor of arguing one of the most important condominium law cases to be heard by the state's top court in nearly a decade. In *Cohn v. The Grand Condominium* the Florida Legislature passed an amendment to the Florida Condominium statutes that allowed the residential unit owners to elect a majority of their Board if the residential units outnumber the commercial units, even where the bylaws state otherwise. The Florida Supreme Court held that if a condominium's declaration does not contain words to the effect that it automatically adopts changes to the Condominium Act as they occur "from time to time" the new laws do not apply to the condominium because it would be unconstitutional to do so. Since The Grand's declaration did not contain these words, the residential unit owners were out of luck. Do your documents contain these magic words? If you would like to watch the actual oral argument and get a peek into the workings of The Florida Supreme Court, just visit the firm's website.

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The firm is devoted to representation of condominium and homeowner associations in Florida. The firm has represented hundreds of associations since its inception in 1994, regarding all facets of association law. In addition, the firm routinely litigates, mediates and arbitrates association cases in state and federal courts and before the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums and Mobile Homes, Arbitration Section.