

Amy E. McPherson



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PRACTICE AREAS

Land Development/Land
Use/Zoning

Litigation - Land Use,
Environmental & Property Rights
Land Development, Zoning &
Environmental

OVERVIEW

Amy McPherson represents clients in a variety of multifaceted land use permitting and entitlement issues. She guides clients from the initial phases of development, through the public hearing approval process, throughout the permitting process, and in litigation. Amy also has experience working with federal and state agencies on environmental permitting matters.

For nearly two decades Amy practiced in South Florida, and successfully secured development approvals for various large-scale projects, including shopping center redevelopments, educational and religious institutions, and residential and commercial developments. Prior to joining the firm, Amy maintained her own practice in Dunedin, Florida servicing clients throughout Pinellas County.

Areas of Concentration:

Land Use & Zoning

Local Development Order Approvals – Comprehensive Plan
Amendments, Special Exceptions, Conditional Uses, Variances, Zoning

Land Development Code Amendments

Code Enforcement – Local Code Enforcement Board Defense and
Litigation

Development Agreements

Historic Preservation

Land Use Transactions and Acquisition Support – Due Diligence,

Large Scale Planning/State Regulation – Master Planned Communities,
Special Area Planning

Land Use & Property Rights Litigation

Administrative Hearings and Appeals

Dispute Resolution and Florida Land Use and Environmental Dispute
Resolution Act (FLUEDRA) Proceedings

Comprehensive Plan Compliance and Consistency Challenges (Fla. Stat. §
163.3184)

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Obtained approval for the first Special Area Plan for Ransom Everglades School in the City of Miami.

Obtained all necessary approvals for the expansion of Bal Harbour Shops.

Obtained all necessary approvals and permits for the redevelopment of Esplanade at Aventura.

Obtained all necessary approvals for Church by the Sea in Bay Harbour Islands.

Obtained rezoning for Seaforest Manors in New Port Richey.

RECOGNITION

Florida Super Lawyers, Rising Star, 2013-2014

NEWSROOM

In the Media: [A fight over waterfront land divided this Pinellas neighborhood](#)

Tampa Bay Times | January 2025

Firm Announcements: [Amy McPherson Joins Land Development, Zoning & Environmental Group in Tampa as a Shareholder](#)

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In the Media: [Stearns Weaver Brings On Solo Land Use Ace In Tampa](#)

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EDUCATION

J.D., University of Miami School of Law, 2004

B.A., Barry University, 1998

ADMISSIONS

Florida