

LOCAL BUSINESS PEOPLE TO WATCH

NEWSMAKERS

ARCHITECTURE

Jeremy Hubsch joined Cotleur and Hearing in May as a senior land-use planner. Before joining the firm, he spent eight years in the Jacksonville area in public and private sector planning roles. Hubsch has a master's degree in urban and regional planning from Florida State University and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Philip H. Ward III has been re-elected chair of the Health Care District of Palm Beach County.



Ward

Ward is president and managing partner of Ward Damon, a multi-disciplined law firm he co-founded in 1987. He is chair of the county's infrastructure surtax independent citizen oversight committee; the vice chair and member of

the board of trustees of BIZPAC; former chair of the Palm Beach Business Development Board; as well as a member of the Economic Council of Palm Beach County. Ward also serves on the district's Quality, Patient Safety and Compliance Committee.

Randy Soto has been named the Wellington Chamber of Commerce's sales and special events specialist. Soto has a background in sales and account management. He was successful in growing his business and managing key accounts across Palm Beach and Martin County. Soto is also a certified EMT for the state of Florida and currently attends Coral Springs Fire Academy. He and his family have been residents of Wellington since 2013.

Barbara LeBrun has been elected to Leadership Palm Beach County's board of governors. LeBrun is the managing director of NAI/Merin Hunter Codman.



LeBrun

Jill Brown has joined the Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency as the Arts Warehouse manager. Before coming to Florida, Brown was a professor of arts education at Bowling Green State University, where she trained arts educators and developed her interest in community art education. She has a bachelor of fine arts in art history from Ohio University, a K-12 visual arts teaching certificate from Bowling Green State University, a master of education in arts education from the University of Toledo, and has taken postgraduate continuing education at Ohio State University.



Brown

INVESTMENT

Comvest Partners has hired **Ashley Ciaburri Rainwater** as director of investor relations. She will be responsible for marketing and capital-raising campaigns, as well as investor relations activities. Before joining Comvest, Rainwater was director of marketing and investor relations at Kohlberg & Company in New York, where she was responsible for sourcing limited-partner relationships and fundraising for the firm. She started her career in investment banking at Citigroup in New York. Rainwater holds a B.S. from Cornell University and an MBA from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

LEGAL

The Russo Law Firm has hired **Dilynn Witkowski**. Witkowski received her undergraduate degree with honors from the University of Florida and graduated from Liberty University Christian School of Law third in her class with a concentration in family and juvenile law. Along with continuing the firm's personal injury practice, Witkowski specializes in legal guardianships, adoptions and prosecuting civil child



Witkowski

abuse cases.

MEDICINE

The C.L. Brumback Primary Care Clinics have earned a "perfect" score from the Health Resources and Services Administration. The clinics provide residents of Palm Beach County with primary medical and dental care.

NONPROFITS

The Forum Club of the Palm Beaches announced its 2017-2018 boards. The organization's executive board includes Tony Pirozzi, Barbara Sufilas Noble, Jennifer O'Flannery Anderson and Harvey E. Oyer III. The board includes Alex Bigelow, John Bowers, David Buchalter, Pam Cahoon, Ed Chase, Joseph P. Chase, Kalinthia Dillard, Samantha Feuer, Mathew Forrest, Mariano Garcia, Rick Gonzalez, Brad Hurlburt, Michelle McGovern, Jeri Muoio, Patrick Rooney Jr. and Neil Schiller.

The Palm Beach County Estate Planning Council has announced its officers for the 2017-2018 council year. Officers include president **Andrew R. Comiter**, president-elect **David E. Holland**, vice president of programming **Stephanie Murray**, vice president of membership **Andrew Shamp**, treasurer **Connie A. Eckerle** and secretary **Matthew Thibaut**.

The Unicorn Children's Foundation in Boca Raton has announced a new board

of directors. The board includes **Gregory Fried**, **Melissa Burkhardt**, **Rafael Cabrera**, **Tabitha LeTourneau Meyerer**, **Bachana Jaffe**, **Marilyn Blanco-Corey**, **Lori Cabrera**, **Michael Church**, **Claude DuBois**, **Joseph Eppy**, **Angela Fisher**, **Barry Halperin**, **Madeline Hillsberg**, **William Kruegel**, **Jeannette Stark**, **Gwendoline Taylor**, **Gail Wasserman**, **Gale Wechsler**, **Michelle Yellin** and **Adam Ziffner**.

RETAIL

Dominic Delgado has been named senior director at Cushman & Wakefield. He will be responsible for expanding the firm's retail presence in Palm Beach and Broward counties. Before joining Cushman and Wakefield, Delgado was executive vice president at LDR Partners. Before that, Delgado directed new business development and ran regional disposition programs for several national companies' excess space and assets at SRS Real Estate Partners. Additionally, he worked at KW Property Management as a community association management coordinator and JCD Investments as the director of acquisitions. Delgado also founded, managed and invested in numerous successful start-up companies, including Shady Island Sunglasses and Isola Skincare. He holds an MBA from the University of Miami.

RECOGNITION

Eddie E. Stephens III has been awarded the Alberto Romero Jr. Making a Difference Award by The Florida Bar. Stephens was recognized for his dedication to the state's children and families.

He was also given the Family Law Section Unsung Hero Award, in addition to the Family Law Section Above and Beyond Award. Stephens is board-certified in family and marital law and focuses on highly disputed divorce cases. He

has been a leader in the Boy Scouts of America for over 10 years and is also involved with Big Dog Ranch Rescue. He graduated from the Leadership Palm Beach County Class of 2015 and served on its board of governors. Most recently, Stephens was appointed co-chair for the Florida Bar family law section's technology committee, and was elected to the board of directors for the Center for Child Counseling in Palm Beach County. Stephens earned his J.D. at Stetson University College of Law.

Sophia Eccleston has received the 2017 Hometown Hero Award. She is an external affairs manager for Florida Power & Light Co., where she is responsible for building and managing relationships with local



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