

EXPERIENCE

SOLE PRACTITIONER March 1993 - Present

Leo Bueno, Attorney, P.A.

Trial and appellate litigation. Practice currently focused on unfair consumer debt collection and unfair credit reporting. Practice previously focused on consumer class actions.

ASSOCIATE November 1990 - February 1993

Carlos Lidsky, Attorney at Law, P.A., Hialeah, Florida

Tried civil jury cases; engaged in pre-trial litigation; wrote and argued appeals.

ASSISTANT STATE ATTORNEY August 1989 - October 1990

16th Judicial Circuit, Monroe County, Florida

Prosecuted misdemeanor and traffic offenses from case intake to jury trial.

SHAREHOLDER February 1989 - June 1989

Sirven & Bueno, Attorneys, P.A., Hialeah, Florida

Incorporated, managed, and practiced in civil litigation and criminal law firm.

ASSOCIATE December 1987 - February 1989

Carlos Lidsky, Attorney at Law, P.A., Hialeah, Florida

Practiced personal injury litigation from initial client interview to trial and appeal.

INSTRUCTOR January 1993 - April 1993, September 1987 - December 1987

Miami-Dade Community College-North Campus, Miami, Florida

Taught Business Law I and II courses.

LAW CLERK September 1986 - December 1987

Carlos Lidsky, Attorney at Law, P.A., Hialeah, Florida

Researched and drafted memoranda and pleadings.

SYSTEMS ENGINEER May 1982 - December 1985

International Business Machines Corp., Detroit, Michigan

Designed and implemented data processing systems for corporate customers.

EDUCATION

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, Detroit, Michigan

J.D., *Cum Laude*, June 1987

Activities: Moot Court. Financed 100% of law school expenses through employment.

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI SCHOOL OF LAW, Coral Gables, Florida

Visiting Student, 1986 - 1987

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LAW SCHOOL, Ann Arbor, Michigan

Visiting Student, Summer 1986

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor, Michigan
B.S., December 1981. Double Major: Computer Science, Chemistry

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI, Coral Gables, Florida
Visiting Student, Summer 1978, 1979

SOUTH MIAMI SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Miami, Florida
Diploma, 1977. Ranked 4th in class.

TRAINING

NATIONAL CONSUMER LAW CENTER / NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CONSUMER ADVOCATES

Consumer Rights Litigation Conference: 2014, 2013, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001, 2000

Consumer Class Action Symposium: 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001

Fair Debt Collection Practices Conference: 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004

Fair Credit Reporting Act Conference: 2015, 2013, 2011, 2009, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2002, 2001

Auto Fraud Conference: 2003

Class Action Conference: 2000

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CONSUMER BANKRUPTCY ATTORNEYS Fall Workshop, 2010

INSTITUTE OF POLICE TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT Symposium On Alcohol And Drug Enforcement, 1990

FLORIDA PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION D.U.I. Trial School For Prosecutors, 1989

REPRESENTATIVE CASES

O'Loughlin v. Equifax, et al., 2015 WL 4486614 (S.D.Fla. Jul. 21, 2015)

Lara v. Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC, 2013 WL 703854 (S.D.Fla. Feb. 27, 2013)

Zirena v. Capital One Bank (USA) N.A., 2012 WL 843489 (S.D.Fla. Feb. 2, 2012)

Melillo v. Shendell & Associates, P.A., 2012 WL 253205 (S.D.Fla. Jan. 26, 2012)

Matheus v. Wagner & Hunt, P.A., 2011 WL 1878582 (S.D.Fla. May 17, 2011)

Rios v. Bakalar & Associates, P.A., 795 F.Supp.2d 1368 (S.D.Fla. 2011)

Lazarre v. JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., 780 F.Supp.2d 1330 (S.D.Fla. 2011)

Gonzalez v. Eagle Ins. Co., 948 So.2d 1 (Fla. 3rd DCA 2007)

Campos v. Choicepoint, 237 F.R.D. 478 (N.D.Ga. 2006)

Malu v. Security National, Ins. Co., 898 So.2d 69 (Fla. 2005)

Isasi v. American Colonial Ins. Co., 863 So.2d 1240 (Fla. 4th DCA 2003)

Stinson v. United Auto. Ins. Co., 734 So.2d 505 (Fla. 3d DCA 1999), 18 Fla.L.Weekly Supp. 290b (Fla. 11th Cir. Oct. 19, 2010).

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Your Rights Against Debt Collectors
Ausbank ConuMiami 2013, Miami, FL

Credit Reporting and Identity Theft
Ausbank ConuMiami 2012, Miami, FL

Opposing Debt Buyers' Evidence of the Debt at Trial
Legal Services of Greater Miami, 2009, Miami, FL

Identity Theft: The Consumer's Perspective
Ausbank International VIII Congress, 2009, Miami, FL

Wine and Health
National Association of Consumer Advocates, 2005 Fair Credit Reporting Act Conference, New Orleans, LA

How To Get Credit Reports Admitted Into Evidence
National Association of Consumer Advocates, 2002 Fair Credit Reporting Act Conference, Albuquerque, NM

AFFILIATIONS

The Florida Bar, October 1987 (Multistate Bar Exam score: 160)
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida
U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Florida
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
U.S. Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals

PERSONAL

Foreign Languages: Fluent in Spanish (read/write)