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*As we embark on the promising year of 2024, Almazan Law is delighted to highlight our significant accomplishments within the firm and the broader legal sphere. This month we celebrated the acquisition of new client cases spanning various Federal and State jurisdictions and practice areas.*

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## **FIRM NEWS**

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### **Major Victory for Client Rights: Reversal of Adverse Judgment**

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In a hard-fought legal battle, Senior Partner, Ric Asfar, secured an impressive courtroom victory on behalf of our client, who is a military veteran and senior citizen. Mr. Asfar successfully argued a motion to reverse and vacate an unfavorable final judgment that had previously been entered against our client.

The case involved complex legal issues surrounding the matter, however, through skilled advocacy and mastery of the relevant statutes and case law, Mr. Asfar convinced the court to grant the reversal of the prior judgment.

We are gratified that we were able to right this wrong for a client who has given so much through his military service.

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## **Almazan Law Facilitates Over \$42M in Florida Real Estate in the last 30 Days**

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Almazan Law is celebrating a major milestone after playing a pivotal role in over \$42 million worth of residential and commercial property transactions across the State of Florida in just the past month.

This exceptional achievement highlights Almazan Law's indispensable guidance and expertise to clients buying and selling a wide range of properties - from luxury residential homes to major commercial developments.

We are extremely proud of our team for helping so many clients successfully navigate complex real estate deals in just a 30-day period which underscores our commitment to delivering the highest caliber of legal counsel and personalized service in the dynamic Florida market.

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**Budgeting for a Better South Miami: Join the City's Finance Committee**

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Managing partner, Alex Almazan has been reselected to serve as Chair on the City of South Miami 2024-2025 Budget and Finance Committee! This committee plays a crucial role in overseeing the city's financial operations and ensuring that taxpayer dollars are being used efficiently and effectively.

Mr. Almazan brings a wealth of financial expertise and a deep commitment to serving the community; helping to guide important budgeting decisions and financial planning for the city.

Mr. Almazan will make a significant impact on the committee and contribute to the continued success and prosperity of the City of South Miami. We are proud to have him represent our firm in this important role and are excited to see the positive changes he will help implement.

Congratulations to Mr. Almazan on this well-deserved appointment!

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**The Spotlight: Member of the Month - Ric Asfar**

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*Member of the Month*  
APRIL 2024



**RIC ASFAR**

**Shields Inn '06**

**University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law**

We are thrilled to announce that our very own senior partner, Ric Asfar, has been selected as the "Member of the Month" with Phi Delta Phi for his outstanding contributions to the legal community. This prestigious recognition is a testament to Mr. Asfar's dedication, leadership, and commitment to excellence.

As the Senior Partner of our Tampa office, Mr. Asfar has demonstrated exceptional legal expertise, mentorship, and dedication to his clients and colleagues.

Please join us in celebrating Ric's achievement and thanking him for his invaluable contributions to Phi Delta Phi and the legal community.

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# Insights from the Self-Administration Conference: A Game-Changer for Attorneys

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Senior Associate, Blane Wheeley, recently attended the Self-Administration - How It Makes a Difference conference hosted by the Sarasota Bradenton Claims Association.

The conference focused on the importance and benefits of self-administration in the claims industry, leading to increased efficiency, cost savings, and improved outcomes for both employees and employers.

During the conference, Mr. Wheeley had the opportunity to learn from industry experts and network with other professionals in the field. He gained valuable insights into best practices for self-administration and how it can positively impact claims management, which will further enhance our company's capabilities and allow us to better serve our clients. We look forward to implementing what Mr. Wheeley has learned and continuing to provide top-quality service to our valued clients.

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## Natalia Yidi has joined the Colombian American Bar Association

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We are thrilled to announce that Associate Attorney, Natalia Yidi, has been accepted as a member of the Colombian American Bar Association (COLBAR). This is a great accomplishment for Ms. Yidi and a testament to her dedication to the legal profession.

COLBAR is an organization that brings together legal professionals with ties to Colombia and promotes networking, professional development, and community involvement. As a member of COLBAR, Ms. Yidi will have the opportunity to connect with other Colombian American attorneys, participate in educational events, and give back to the community.

Please join us in congratulating Ms. Yidi on this exciting achievement and wishing her continued

success as a member of the Colombian American Bar Association.

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## Managing Partner, Alex Almazan Selected as a Panelist to Discuss AI's Role in Legal Field during Upcoming Clio Webinar

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Managing Partner, Alex Almazan, has been invited to join a panel of experts for a highly anticipated webinar hosted by leading legal practice management platform Clio. The webinar, titled "When to Use (and Not to Use) AI at Small and Mid-Sized Law Firms," will take place on Thursday, June 20th at 2pm EDT.

Mr. Almazan will lend his insights and perspectives to this discussion exploring the rapidly evolving role of artificial intelligence (AI) in the legal profession. The webinar is open to both Clio users and non-Clio users with small and mid-sized law firms across the country.

Under Mr. Almazan's guidance, our firm has judiciously explored AI capabilities for select tasks and workflows. This first-hand experience positions him to offer a balanced, ethical perspective on AI's role in the industry.

Our firm remains committed to embracing responsible innovation that elevates client service delivery.

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## Community Involvement & Legal Events

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*As a Florida law firm, we are committed to supporting our local communities through pro bono work and hosting family events.*

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**Associate Attorney Natalia Yidi and FAWL Give Back with  
Community Service Event**

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We are proud to announce that Associate Attorney, Natalia Yidi, recently attended a community service event with the Florida Association for Women Lawyers (FAWL). This event took place at the Coconut Grove Community Fridge, where members donated non-perishable food items to help those in need.

The Coconut Grove Community Fridge is a grassroots organization that aims to provide free and accessible food to the community. By making a donation, our attorney and other FAWL members were able to make a positive impact and help those who are experiencing food insecurity.

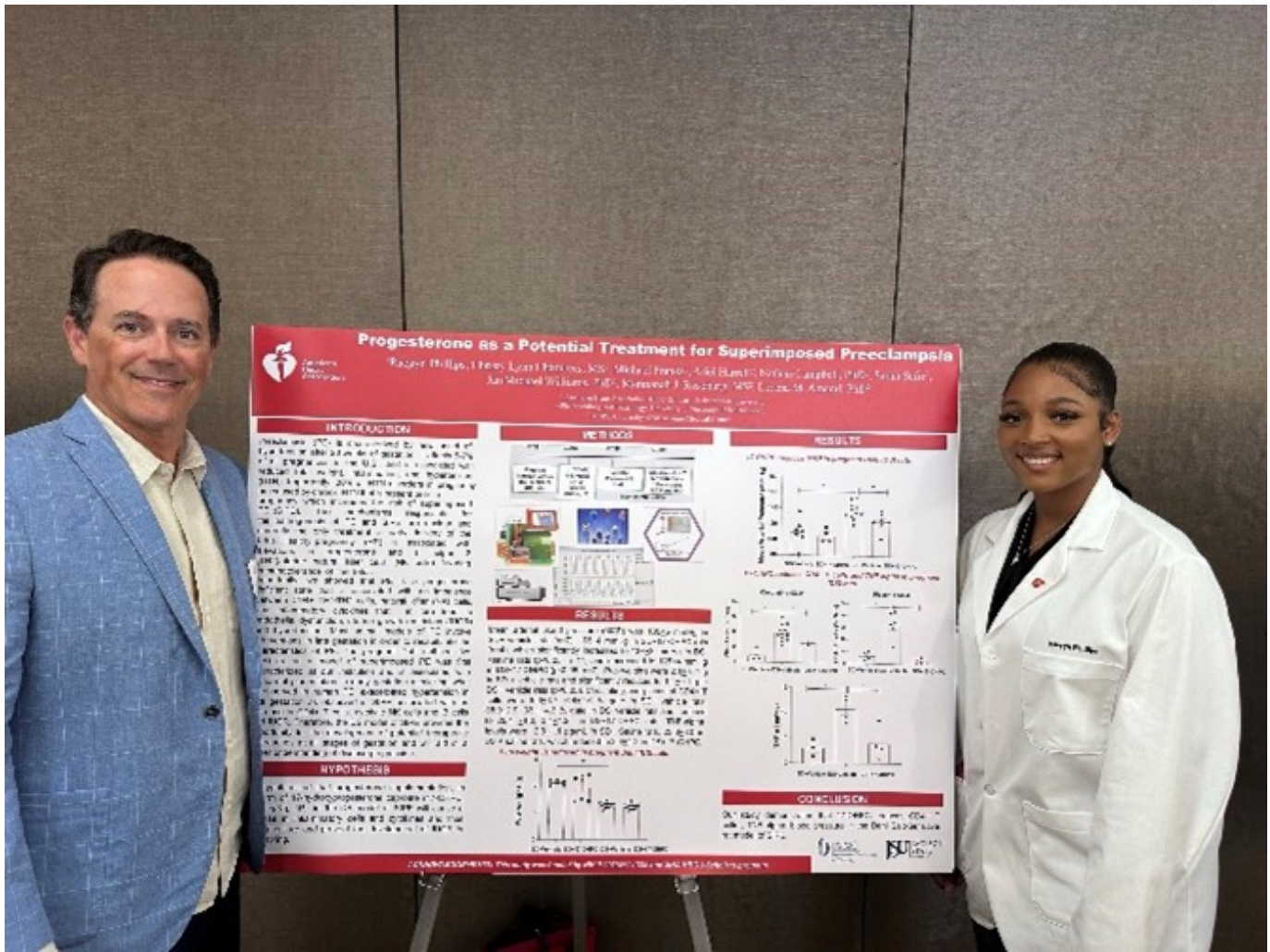
In addition to the food donation, the event also included a walk around the neighborhood to raise awareness for the cause. It was a great opportunity for our attorney to connect with other like-minded individuals and give back to the community in a meaningful way.

We are incredibly proud of Ms. Yidi for taking the time to participate in this event and support such a worthy cause. Community service is an important part of our firm's values, and we are always looking for ways to give back to those in need. Thank you to FAWL and the Coconut Grove Community Fridge for organizing this event and providing us with the opportunity to make a difference.

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# Heartfelt Highlights: Alex Almazan's Experience at the American Heart Scholars Symposium

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Managing Partner, Alex Almazan, had the privilege of attending the prestigious American Heart Scholars Symposium in Dallas. This annual event brings together some of the brightest minds in biomedical, public health, and health care sciences to discuss the latest research and advancements in the field.

The symposium featured a series of lectures, workshops, and panel discussions on topics ranging from cardiovascular disease prevention to health disparities in underserved communities.

One highlight of the symposium was the opportunity to meet and connect with the future leaders in these fields. Overall, the American Heart Scholars Symposium was a truly enlightening and enriching event.

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## Almazan Law Sponsors Lions Downtown Tampa 100th Anniversary BBQ

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Last week, Senior Partner, Ric Asfar, attended the Lions Downtown Tampa Club's 100th anniversary celebration BBQ. Almazan Law was a proud sponsor of this momentous event, which commemorated a full century of the club's outstanding service to the Tampa community.

Almazan Law was honored to sponsor this event and contribute to an organization that has given so much to our community over the past 100 years. The event raised funds that will allow the Lions Downtown Tampa to expand their impactful sight, community, and global outreach programs.

Almazan Law extends our congratulations to the Lions Downtown Tampa on this incredible 100-year milestone.

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