

## Hal H. Kantor

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*I try to give swift and excellent service to all clients regardless of the size of the matter involved. I believe that whatever matter a client entrusts to you is the most important thing to them and that we, as trusted advisors, need to keep that front of mind at all times.*

Recognized by *Florida Trend* magazine as a “Must-Know Contact” and one of Florida’s 500 Most Influential Business Leaders, **Hal Kantor** has long been a leader in the firm’s Land Use, Zoning & Environmental and Real Estate Groups.

For more than 50 years, he has been advising local, national and international clients in the areas of land use approvals, development issues and all the many facets that entails, as well as real estate transactions and finance.

Often the “attorney of last resort” in difficult and complex cases, many clients turn to Hal for his creative expertise, particularly when all else has failed. Working in combination with professional consultants and the firm’s land use litigation attorneys, he has built a well-known reputation for maneuvering even the most challenging real estate and land use issues to a successful conclusion.

Hal devotes much of his personal time to arts and cultural organizations, having served as chairman of the board for WMFE/90.7 Public Broadcasting, the Orlando Museum of Art, and United Arts. He has also served as chair of Orange County Arts and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board, as well as many civic boards for various local governments. He has received numerous awards and recognitions, including the Jewish National Fund’s Tree of Life Award, among others.

*“Hal Kantor has a longstanding reputation in the Florida market. He draws on his vast experience to counsel clients on land use, zoning and environmental matters. ‘Hal Kantor is THE zoning and land use lawyer in Orlando.’” – Chambers USA 2022*

### Practices & Industries

Administrative & Regulatory  
Affordable Housing  
Environmental Law  
Golf Course Redevelopment  
Government Relations  
Land Use & Zoning  
Multifamily Housing  
Real Estate  
Real Estate Development  
Real Estate Finance  
Real Estate Transactions

### Admissions

Florida

### Education

- University of Florida Levin College of Law, J.D., *with honors*, 1972
- University of California at Berkeley, M.B.A., 1969
- Tulane University, B.B.A., 1967

## Recognitions

- Martindale–Hubbell AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated
- Florida 500, Florida’s Most Influential Business Leaders, *Florida Trend*, 2020–2024
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Administrative / Regulatory Law, 2008–2025; Environmental Law, 1995–2025; Government Relations Practice, 2008–2025; Land Use and Zoning Law, 2007–2025; Real Estate Law, 2006–2025
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Orlando Administrative / Regulatory Law Lawyer of the Year, 2011, 2014
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Orlando Government Relations Practice Lawyer of the Year, 2014, 2018
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Orlando Land Use and Zoning Law Lawyer of the Year, 2013, 2016, 2019
- Florida *Super Lawyers*, 2006–2008, 2011–2020
- The Best of the Bar, *Orlando Business Journal*
- Leading Lawyer, *Who’s Who Legal*
- Florida Legal Elite Hall of Fame, *Florida Trend*
- Florida Legal Elite, *Florida Trend*, 2011–2017, 2019–2020, 2023
- *Chambers USA – America’s Leading Business Lawyers*, 2010–2019
- Orlando’s Most Powerful People, *Orlando Magazine*
- University of Florida Hall of Fame
- Jewish National Fund’s Tree of Life Award
- Florida’s Top Lawyers, *Florida Monthly Magazine*
- *The Legal 500 US*
- Must-Know Contacts in Orlando/Orange County, *Florida Trend*
- *Madison Who’s Who Among Executives and Professionals*, Honors Edition



## Community Activities

- United Arts of Central Florida, Board of Directors and Executive Committee, former Chairman
- University of Florida College of Law, Board of Trustees
- Orlando Museum of Art, Board of Trustees, former Chairman

## Professional Certifications & Memberships

- American Bar Association
- Orange County Bar Association
- The Florida Bar

## News

*Florida Trend* Recognizes Dymond and Kantor Among Florida's 500 Most Influential Business Leaders  
11.01.2024 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Best Lawyers Recognizes 59 Lowndes Attorneys in 2025, One Named Lawyer of the Year  
08.15.2024 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Florida Trend Once Again Names Dymond and Kantor Among Florida's 500 Most Influential Business Leaders  
10.20.2023 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Best Lawyers Recognizes 49 Lowndes Attorneys in 2024, Three Named Lawyer of the Year  
08.17.2023 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Hal Kantor Named to *Florida Trend's* 2023 Legal Elite  
05.02.2023 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

46 Lowndes Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers* in 2023  
08.18.2022 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Lowndes Attorneys Hal Kantor and Quino Martinez Named to *Florida Trend's* 2022 Legal Elite  
07.11.2022 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Lowndes Land Use Group and Four Attorneys Recognized by Chambers and Partners in its 2022 USA Guide  
06.13.2022 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Best Lawyers Recognizes 44 Lowndes Attorneys in 2022, Five Named Lawyer of the Year  
08.19.2021 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Two Lowndes Attorneys Named to Florida Trend's "Florida 500: Florida's Most Influential Business Leaders"  
09.21.2020 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Best Lawyers Recognizes 44 Lowndes Attorneys in 2021, Two Named Lawyer of the Year  
08.20.2020 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Three Lowndes Attorneys Named to Florida Trend's 2020 Legal Elite  
06.22.2020 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

22 Lowndes Attorneys Named 2020 Florida Super Lawyers and Rising Stars  
06.04.2020 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Forty-Three Lowndes Lawyers Earn Recognition in Best Lawyers in America 2020  
08.15.2019 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Lowndes Attorneys Recognized in the 2019 edition of Florida Trend's Florida Legal Elite  
07.05.2019 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

29 Lowndes Attorneys Named 2019 Florida Super Lawyers and Rising Stars  
05.29.2019 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

2019 Chambers USA Recognizes Lowndes As "One Of The State's Leading Law Firms" Once Again  
05.02.2019 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Forty-Four Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Lawyers Earn Recognition in 2019 Best Lawyers in America  
08.15.2018 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Attorneys Rated 2018 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars  
06.18.2018 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

2018 *Chambers USA* Recognizes Lowndes Attorneys and Practices  
05.15.2018 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Forty-Nine Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Lawyers Earn Recognition in 2018 Best Lawyers in America  
08.15.2017 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Attorneys Rated 2017 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars  
06.01.2017 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Chambers USA Recognizes Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Attorneys and Practices  
05.25.2017 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

## Publications

Charter Amendments Pass in Orange County and Seminole County  
11.07.2024 | ARTICLE

Orange County Proposes to Implement Vision 2050 and Orange Code in September 2024  
05.09.2024 | ARTICLE

Florida Legislature Passes Bill to Limit Orange County's Proposed Rural Development Rules  
03.14.2024 | ARTICLE

Proposed Charter Changes Threaten Orange County's Economic Future  
02.23.2024 | ARTICLE

Florida Real Property Sales Transactions: Express and Implied Covenants and Warranties Contained in Deeds,  
Chapter 9, 2023  
03.31.2023 | PUBLICATION

Appeals Court Rules Against Orange County's Proposed Rent Control Ordinance  
10.28.2022 | ARTICLE