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Overview

For clients facing complex business disputes, Manuel "Manny" Garcia-Linares, Chair of the firm's Litigation department, is a trusted advisor and proven litigator. He helps clients navigate complex commercial and business litigation matters, defends officers and directors from liability claims, and resolves real estate and professional malpractice, legal and accounting, disputes. Manny also has extensive experience litigating class action matters.

Manny fosters a collaborative approach, working seamlessly with colleagues across the firm's family office, corporate, transactional, and estate planning practices, to deliver comprehensive legal solutions. He advises fiduciaries and ultra- and high net worth individuals in probate and trust disputes, as well as developers and property owners in complex commercial real estate litigation matters.

Manny has been recognized with several prestigious distinctions. He has been ranked in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business** (Chambers & Partners) as a recognized practitioner for Litigation: General Commercial in Florida since 2013. According to the 2023 edition of *Chambers USA**, a client noted, "Manuel is practical and business-oriented. He distills the issues and makes them very easy for us to understand." In the same issue, another client confirmed, "Manuel is an effective counselor and litigator with experience handing complex disputes across a number of areas. He steers clients toward practical solutions and he has a stellar reputation among the Bench and Bar." He was selected as the Litigation – Real Estate "Lawyer of the Year" for the Miami Metro Area by Best Lawyers in America (Woodward/White, Inc.) in 2023.

Manny is a licensed Certified Public Accountant in the State of Florida. He incorporates financial acumen into his legal strategies, ultimately benefiting his clients' cases. Manny has lectured and written articles on accounting malpractice and document retention policies.

Beyond the courtroom, Manny demonstrates strong leadership within the firm, holding several leadership roles. In addition to being Chair of the Litigation department, he serves on the firm's Executive Board and is the Managing Partner of the Florida offices in Miami, Boca Raton and West Palm Beach. Manny is also deeply committed to promoting diversity in the firm and legal profession, co-chairing the Day Pitney Diverse Attorneys Network.

Manny was a judicial intern to the Honorable George Arceneaux, Jr., for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, and a law clerk to the

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Experience

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Successfully represented putative class members in an appeal of an order granting a motion to dismiss before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit in matter alleging breach of agreements with customers and negligence for charging fees that were greater than the costs to execute a trade where defendant generated profits from these fees when it had agreed to charge no more than the costs of executing a trade; subsequently, plaintiffs' motion to certify the class action was granted for matter valued in excess of \$15 million

Represents a Fortune 500 insurance exchange for United States military personnel and their families, defending against allegations by former legal service provider for *inter alia*, breach of contract, fraud in the inducement, negligent misrepresentation and *quantum meruit* for \$20-30 million; also, represent client in counterclaims for legal malpractice in its handling of personal injury cases, breach of fiduciary duty based on its providing unethical and incorrect legal advice, fraudulent and negligent representation with respect to the billing of enhanced fees and unjust enrichment for work that was paid but never performed in a number of flat fee cases

Represents a U.S. direct broadcast satellite service provider in a class action alleging violations of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991 and damages in excess of \$5 million; after briefing, the court entered an order granting client's Motion to Compel Arbitration

Represents leading international jewelry company in the defense of a lawsuit filed against the jeweler in Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, by a retail jewelry store alleging that the jeweler wrongfully terminated its rights to franchise and distribute the client's jewelry in South America; after a full evidentiary hearing, the court dismissed the plaintiff's Motion for Temporary Injunction to prevent client from terminating its franchise and distribution operations and subsequently, granted client's Motion to Compel Arbitration, entering an order finding that all claims asserted by the plaintiff are subject to arbitration to the Danish Institute of Arbitration

Represents an American multinational investment bank and financial services corporation in defense of a multi-plaintiff lawsuit filed by a group of investors and creditors of a bankrupt Mexican oil services company against the bank in the Southern District of Florida, alleging in a seven-count complaint violations of the Federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act (RICO), conspiracy to violate the same, and additional common law counts for fraud, aiding and abetting fraud, conspiracy to commit fraud and breach of fiduciary duty with regards to multiple, complex financial transactions and claiming \$1.1 billion in losses; successfully moved to dismiss the suit on the basis of *forum non conveniens*, arguing that Mexico was the appropriate forum

Successfully represented U.S. direct broadcast satellite service provider in actions against various U.S. and Bahamian Companies for injunctive relief, civil conspiracy, conversion and violations of federal law for receiving and assisting others in receiving satellite signals in violation of 47 USC section 605(a) and unauthorized reception of communication services in violation of Florida Statute section 812.15

Represents a professional baseball pitcher, currently with the New York Yankees, in various matters, including a matter pending before the trial court of the Massachusetts Superior Court for breach of contract, valued at \$2-3 million; court entered an order of dismissal and no appeal was taken

Education and Credentials

Education

Tulane University Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*, Order of the Coif, *The Tulane Law Review*, Associate Editor
University of Miami, B.A.

Admissions

State of Florida
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

Affiliations

American Bar Association
Cuban American Bar Association, Past President
Cuban American Bar Foundation, Past President, Board Member
Miami-Dade County Bar Association
Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants
Cuban American Certified Public Accountants Association, Past President

Recognition and Community

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Recognitions

Named a "Managing Partner of the Year" finalist in the *Daily Business Review's Florida Legal Awards*, 2025
Named a finalist in the "Cross-Border Disputes" Category in the *Daily Business Review's Florida Legal Awards*, 2024
Chosen for inclusion on the list *Legal Elite NOTABLE Managing Partners* by *Florida Trend* (Trend Magazines Inc.), 2023-2024
Selected to the *South Florida Business Journal's* Diversity & Inclusion program's Diverse Voices List, 2023
Selected as the Litigation – Real Estate Lawyer of the Year for the Miami Metro Area by [The Best Lawyers in America](#) (Woodward/White, Inc.), 2023
Chosen for inclusion in the [Chambers USA Legal Directory](#) (Chambers & Partners) of recognized practitioners for Litigation: General Commercial in Florida, 2013-2025
Selected to the list of Florida [Super Lawyers](#)®, Business Litigation, 2007-2025

Chosen for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* (Woodward/White, Inc.), Bet-the-Company Litigation, 2017-2026, Commercial Litigation, 2010-2026, Litigation - Banking and Finance, 2011-2026, Litigation - Construction, 2011-2026, Litigation - Real Estate, 2011-2026

Selected to list of *South Florida's Top Lawyers* by the *South Florida Legal Guide*, 2001-2020

Chosen for inclusion on the list *Florida Legal Elite* by *Florida Trend* (Trend Magazines Inc.), 2007-2018

Named a finalist for the list of "Most Effective Lawyers" in Class Actions category by *Daily Business Review* (ALM Media Properties, LLC), 2008

Selected as a Up & Comers Award Finalist by *South Florida Business Journal* (American City Business Journals), 2008

Union Planters Bank Young Hispanic Leadership Award for Distinguished Professional Accomplishments and Community Service, 2000

David L. Herman Award and the American Jurisprudence Award for Legal Professionalism , Tulane Law School

Community Involvement

City of Coral Gables Retirement Board, Board Member and Former Chair

City of Coral Gables Partnership Committee, Board Member and Former Chair

Our Lady of Lourdes Academy, Board of Trustees, Chair

Belen Jesuit Preparatory School Alumni Association, Board Member

Belen Jesuit Preparatory School Board, Leadership Development Group, Former Board Member

Belen Alumni Lawyers Section, Board, Immediate Past Chair

St. Theresa School Board, Former Vice President

Insights

Beyond Salary: Considerations for Law Students Selecting Their First Law Firm
September 6, 2024

"Oro De Ley," 50th CABA Gala
January 27, 2024

"State of Real Estate Transactions in Today's Economy with Day Pitney," HNBA Corporate Counsel Division
August 16, 2023

Day Pitney Hosts Thought-Provoking Palm Beach Family Office Forum
May 19, 2023

"Orgullo De Mi Tierra Bella – 49th CABA Installation Gala," CABA
February 4, 2023

Day Pitney Intellectual Property and Litigation Partners Host Cocktail Reception in Miami
November 16, 2022

Day Pitney Supports 16th Annual Festival of the Arts BOCA
March 25, 2022

Florida Votes to Increase Minimum Wage to \$15 per Hour Over Six Years
November 30, 2020

COVID-19 Impact on Florida Real Estate - Limited Extension of Mortgage Foreclosure and Eviction Relief Until October 1, 2020
September 18, 2020

COVID-19 Impact on Florida Real Estate - Limited Extension of Mortgage Foreclosure and Eviction Relief Until September 1, 2020
August 4, 2020

COVID-19 Impact on Florida Real Estate - Suspending Foreclosures and Residential Evictions Until August 1, 2020
July 8, 2020

Supreme Court Declines to Invalidate the TCPA Cell Phone Calling Restrictions
July 7, 2020

COVID-19 Impact on Tax Filings in Florida
April 28, 2020

Florida Governor Issues Stay-at-Home Order, Designates Essential Services During COVID-19 Pandemic
April 7, 2020

COVID-19 Impact on Extended Property Tax Payment Due Date in Florida
April 6, 2020

COVID-19 Impact on Real Estate Deed Recordings in Florida
April 6, 2020

COVID-19 Impact on Florida Real Estate - Suspending Foreclosures and Residential Evictions for 45 Days
April 6, 2020

COVID-19 Impact on Annual Report Filings Due Date for Corporations and Other Entities in Florida
April 2, 2020

COVID-19 Impact on Florida Commercial Real Estate, Tenant Resources
April 2, 2020

COVID-19 Impact on Tax Filings in Florida
April 2, 2020

Impact of COVID-19 Gives Good Reason to Consider Emergency Cooperation Agreement
March 16, 2020

News

Day Pitney Named Outstanding Law Firm at the 2025 Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce Diamond Awards
Day Pitney Press Release, December 12, 2025

Day Pitney's Manuel Garcia-Linares Named to Florida Trend's 2025 Legal Elite NOTABLE Managing Partners List for Third Consecutive Year
Day Pitney Press Release, July 2, 2025

Day Pitney Named a Finalist in the MDFAWL's 2025 Law Firm Champion of Women Award
May 9, 2025

Daily Business Review Names Manuel Garcia-Linares a Finalist in the 2025 Florida Legal Awards
Daily Business Review, February 4, 2025

Day Pitney's Florida Offices Pack School Supplies for Chapman Partnership
August 2, 2024

Day Pitney's Manuel A. Garcia-Linares Honored with Florida-based Legal Elite Award

July 2, 2024

Chambers Recognizes Day Pitney with Elevated Rankings Across Practices and Attorneys

June 6, 2024

Day Pitney Widely Recognized by Daily Business Review at the Florida Legal Awards

April 5, 2024

Day Pitney Announces New Leadership Appointments

April 2, 2024

Three Day Pitney Partners Named by Daily Business Review as 2024 Florida Legal Awards Honorees

February 2, 2024

Day Pitney Launches Healthcare Practice in Florida with Arrival of New Lateral Partner Magda Rodriguez in Miami

October 17, 2023

Day Pitney Partner Georgia Thompson Recognized with a 2023 South Florida Business & Wealth Up & Comer Award

October 6, 2023

Day Pitney's Manuel A. Garcia-Linares Honored with Inaugural Florida-based Legal Elite Award

July 13, 2023

Day Pitney's Manuel A. Garcia-Linares Named a Diverse Voice by South Florida Business Journal

June 20, 2023

Chambers USA 2023 Ranks 35 Day Pitney Attorneys and 13 Practices

June 1, 2023

Alan Greer Receives Equal Justice Leadership Award From Legal Services of Greater Miami

May 19, 2023

Gregory A. Hayes Named Managing Partner of Day Pitney

April 3, 2023

Day Pitney Relocates West Palm Beach Office

January 23, 2023

Daniel Diaz Leyva and Real Estate Group Join Day Pitney: Building on Real Estate Execution Capabilities in Florida

January 9, 2023

2022 Hispanic National Bar Association Annual Convention

September 7-9, 2022

Chambers USA 2022 Ranks 34 Day Pitney Attorneys and 13 Practices

June 1, 2022

Leading the Way: How South Florida Law Firm Leaders Are Navigating Novel Challenges

December 29, 2021

Day Pitney Relocates Boca Raton Office

September 27, 2021

Chambers USA 2021 Ranks 31 Day Pitney Attorneys and 13 Practices

May 21, 2021

Day Pitney Welcomes New Real Estate Partner Sandra Ferrera: Addition to Expand Firm's Real Estate Practice in Florida

January 4, 2021

Chambers USA 2020 Ranks 34 Day Pitney Attorneys and 12 Practices

April 30, 2020

Chambers USA 2019 Ranks 38 Day Pitney Attorneys and 12 Practices

May 8, 2019

Day Pitney Sponsors 45th Annual CABA Gala

January 26, 2019

In The Media

Coral Gables January 2026 Magazine

Coral Gables Magazine, January 2026

Day Pitney Leads Discussion at 2025 Lex Mundi Latin American/Caribbean Regional Conference's Family Office Meeting

April 3, 2025

Managing Partner of the Year Finalist: Manuel Garcia-Linares, Day Pitney

Daily Business Review, March 13, 2025

Florida Legal Awards: Q&As With Managing Partner Finalists

Daily Business Review , March 11, 2025

Florida's Civil Procedure Rules: Attorneys Foresee More Settlements Amid Time Challenges

Daily Business Review, January 2, 2025

Florida Supreme Court Clarifies Qualifications for Court – Appointed Arbitrators

Daily Business Review, November 8, 2024

CABA Foundation Annual Scholarship Reception

South Florida Business Journal, September 13, 2024

In Bid to Meet Surging Trusts and Estates Demand, Florida-Based Law Firms Top Outsiders

Daily Business Review , September 13, 2024

'It's a Game Changer': What DeSantis' New Laws Mean to Law Firms

Daily Business Review, June 10, 2024

On the Move

Florida Bar News, April 30, 2024

Day Pitney Appoints Chair

Miami Today, April 12, 2024

Day Pitney Announces New Leadership Appointments

CityBiz, April 2, 2024

Day Pitney Announces Leadership Changes

Law360 Pulse, April 2, 2024

Cross-Border Disputes: Manuel Garcia-Linares, Day Pitney

Daily Business Review, March 1, 2024

Steven Wernick and Joseph Ruiz's Arrival to Day Pitney Featured in Law360

Law360, February 29, 2024

Ahead of Judge's Resignation, an Impending Problem She Says Lawyers Will Face

Daily Business Review , December 28, 2023

Attorneys Praise Florida Supreme Court for Nixing Consolidation

Daily Business Review, December 26, 2023

South Florida's Talent Pool Is Changing, Welcoming More Ivy League Recruits Even as Local Schools Rise in Appeal
Daily Business Review, December 12, 2023

Day Pitney Expands Health Care Practice in Miami as it Prepares to Focus on Palm Beach Growth
Daily Business Review, October 18, 2023

The State of ERGs
South Florida Business Journal, August 17, 2023

Day Pitney Hosts Palm Beach Family Office Forum
Palm Beach County Business, July 3, 2023

Meet the 2023 Diverse Voices
South Florida Business Journal, June 16, 2023

New Leadership Announced at Day Pitney
New Jersey Law Journal, April 4, 2023

Office Snapshot: Day Pitney Gets New West Palm Beach Digs
Law360 Pulse, January 27, 2023

East Coast Law Firm Relocates Office to 360 Rosemary in West Palm Beach
South Florida Business Journal, January 24, 2023

Day Pitney Brings On Boutique CEO as Fla. Real Estate Head
Law360, January 9, 2023

Major Combinations in Nashville and Carolinas Signal Southeast's Emergence as Merger Hotspot
The American Lawyer, January 11, 2023

Coral Gables Law Firm Joins Day Pitney
South Florida Business Journal, January 10, 2023

Leading the Way: Manuel Garcia-Linares on What Lawyers Want From Firm Leaders, the Pros of Going Remote, and Mental Health
Daily Business Review, October 20, 2021

Day Pitney Moves Boca, Delray Beach Attorneys to New Office
Daily Business Review, October 19, 2021

Start Early, Keep it Local, and Keep it Customized: Wealth Management in the Gables
Coral Gables Magazine, October 15, 2019

Power of The Past, Force of The Future
Hispanic National Bar Association, September 30, 2019

Day Pitney and Richman Greer Complete Merger, Further Expanding Presence in Florida
Day Pitney Press Release, January 1, 2019

FATCA's Due Diligence Expansion
Law Journal Newsletter, September 2, 2015

Clients Seeking More Than Book Advice From Their Attorneys
August 26, 2015

South Florida Home Prices Outpaced Annual National Growth in January
March 31, 2015

Miami is a Melting Pot That's Boiling with International Diversity
Business Miami, December 14, 2014

Miami-Dade banks are eager to make loans again

November 28, 2014