Barber receives outstanding jurist award

Hillsborough Circuit Judge Thomas Barber received the annual Robert W. Patton Outstanding Jurist Award from the Hillsborough County Bar Association's Young Lawyers Division during the division's judicial appreciation luncheon May 22.

The award recognizes an outstanding jurist who has a reputation for making sound judicial decisions along with an unblemished record for integrity as both a lawyer and judge. Barber is generally recognized by bar members as highly qualified and active in bar-related activities open to the judiciary. He is known for his willingness to assist young lawyers and for respecting their abilities.