



Administrative Office of the Courts



Levens Nominated for Award

Hillsborough Circuit Judge William P. Levens is the Tampa Bay chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates' nominee for Florida's FLABOTA jurist of the year.

Levens, a University of Florida law school graduate, was appointed to the bench in 2000 by Gov. Jeb Bush. He has since been re-elected twice. Levens has served in multiple divisions of the 13th Judicial Circuit and is currently assigned as a trial judge in General Civil, Division K.

The criteria for jurist of the year include: a commitment to preserving and improving the jury trial system; being knowledgeable, prepared and ruling in a timely manner; following the rules of law and applying them evenhandedly; demanding professionalism from all lawyers; and maintaining an open and accessible working relationship with the trial bar.

The jurist of the year will be selected from among chapter nominees by the Florida ABOTA board of directors. The award will be presented July 13 at the Vinoy Renaissance Hotel in St. Petersburg.