

NAME OF PANEL: ACS South Florida: Eleventh Circuit Year in Review: A Look at Leading Cases and Trends

DATE | TIME | LOCATION: September 22, 2023 | 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. ET | Carlton Fields
700 NW First Avenue, Suite 1200, Miami, Florida

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Join us for a discussion with former 11th Circuit Judge Beverly Martin about the year in cases and other changes at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.

PANELISTS' NAMES AND BIOS:

[Beverly Martin](#) served from 2010 to 2021 as a Circuit Judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. She left the bench to become executive director of the Center for Civil Justice at the New York University School of Law. Before joining the Eleventh Circuit, Martin also served as a U.S. District Judge in Atlanta from 2000 to 2010, and U.S. Attorney for the Middle District of Georgia from 1997 to 2000.

[Michael Caruso](#) is the Federal Public Defender for the Southern District of Florida. The Eleventh Circuit appointed him to the position 2012. Caruso supervises an office that handles hundreds of cases and appeals for indigent criminal defendants. He has tried 40 cases to a jury in federal court and handled many appeals before the Eleventh Circuit.

[Janine Lopez](#) is a staff attorney at the American Civil Liberties Union of Florida, focusing on immigrant rights. A Miami native, she graduated from Brown University and Harvard Law School, and afterward clerked for then-Chief Judge Merrick Garland on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and Justice Stephen Breyer of the U.S. Supreme Court. Before joining the ACLU, she worked at Arnold & Porter and maintained an extensive pro bono practice.

AGENDA FOR PANEL:

- Lunch from 12:00 to 12:25 pm
- Introductions 12:25 to 12:30 pm
- Discussion – Overview of changes at the Court. 12:30 to 12:40 pm
- Discussion – Criminal cases. 12:40 to 1:00 pm
- Discussion – Civil cases 1 to 1:20 pm
- Q&A - 1:20 to 1:30 pm

MATERIALS FOR PANEL:

[King v. Warden](#), 69 F.4th 856 (11th Cir. 2023) – A case in which the Court rejected a Batson challenge based on race to selection of a jury, over a vigorous dissent from Judge Charles Wilson.

[Williams v. Alabama](#), 73 F.4th 900 (11th Cir. 2023) — A capital case involving counsel's failure to investigate, where the Court affirmed the grant of a habeas petition over the dissent of Judge Britt Grant.

[US v. Dupree](#), 57 F.4th 1269 (11th Cir. 2023) — An en banc case involving the amount of deference a district court should give the U.S. Sentencing Commission.

[Sosa v. Martin County, Fla.](#), 57 F.4th 1297 (11th Cir. 2023) — An en banc case in which the Court held that no violation of due process occurs if a detainee's arrest warrant is valid, and his detention lasts an amount of time no more than three days. Judge Robin Rosenbaum dissented.

[Thompson v. Alabama](#), 65 F.4th 1288 (11th Cir. 2023) — The Court held that Alabama's reenactment of its felon-disenfranchisement provision satisfies precedent that requires procedure to remove discriminatory taint from an earlier statute.

[League of Women Voters of Fla. Inc. v. Fla.](#), 66 F.4th 905 (11th Cir. 2023) — The Court upheld Florida's recently enacted election provisions restricting drop-box ballot boxes, solicitation, and voter registration delivery. Judge Jill Pryor issued a short dissent, relying on District Court's order.