

Insurance Lawyer's Alleged Ripoff Scheme

"The Florida Bar has filed its fourth complaint against Miami-Dade County attorney Scot Strems, alleging that Strems and the Strems Law Firm (SLF) engaged in a pattern of duplicitous behavior and subterfuge to enroll property owners into legal services," reports Michael Carroll in *Florida Record's Attorneys & Judges*.

"In October, a court referee appointed by the state Supreme Court recommended that Strems be suspended from the practice of law for two years, as well as a one-year probationary period, over the filing of multiple property owner claims that critics say drive up premium costs for all the state's homeowners."

"The latest complaint, which was filed with the Florida Supreme Court on Nov. 24, alleges that Strems and his firm engaged in a series of actions involving deceit and solicitation through third parties, whom the Florida Bar refers to as "Strems Consultants." Strems' actions violated eight of the bar's ethics rules, according to the complaint."

Read the article.