

## Richard J. Grosso

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **EVERGLADES LAW CENTER, INC.**

(formerly Environmental & Land Use Law Center, Inc.,  
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Executive Director\ General Counsel - March 1996 to present

Responsible for administrative and legal activities of non-profit, public interest law firm which represents clients in litigation, appeals and administrative public advocacy on major legal cases and public policy decisions impacting the south Florida ecosystem. Extensive state and federal trial and appellate practice on cases of significant precedential value. Lectures and writes frequently on legal and policy issues concerning environmental and land use law and policy. Clients include the major environmental organizations in south Florida.

#### **SHEPARD BROAD LAW CENTER, NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY**

Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Associate Professor - August 1998 to present

Directs law school's Environmental and Land Use Law Clinic, consisting of intensive training in practical aspects of environmental and land use litigation, and supervision of student practice on behalf of clients in local, regional, and federal judicial and quasi-judicial forums. Teach classes in environmental and land use law.

#### **1000 FRIENDS OF FLORIDA, Tallahassee, & Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.**

Legal Director - August 1990 to March 1996

Responsible for all legal activities of non-profit, public interest growth management advocacy group.

#### **FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, Tallahassee, Fla.**

Assistant General Counsel - June 1989 to August 1990

Represented state agency in administrative challenges to local government comprehensive plans and policy plans of regional planning councils.

#### **FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION,**

Tallahassee, Fla. Assistant General Counsel - December 1986 to June 1989

Duties included trial and appellate work as well as advisory duties relating to environmental permitting. Heavy emphasis in administrative law and inverse condemnation defense. Extensive trial and appellate practice.

### EDUCATION

#### **Legal**

#### **FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW**

Tallahassee, Florida

Juris Doctor, April 1986, Honors

Law Review

Legal Writing Faculty-Student Committee

Supreme Court Role-Playing Seminar

Book Award-Coastal Zone Law

## Undergraduate

### FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

B.S. Political Science, 1983

GPA: 3.47 (4.0 scale)

Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society

Vice President, Government Studies Association

MIAMI-DADE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

A.A. 1981 - Dean's List

## PUBLICATIONS

*Old McDonald Still Has a Farm: Agricultural Property Rights After the Veto of S.B. 1712*, Fla. Bar. J. **March, 2005**, Volume 79, No. 3 (co-author with Robert Hartsell)

*"Environmental View of the 50 Year Picture."*, Fla. Bar, Env. & Land Use Law Section Annual Update Materials (Aug. 25-27, 2005)

*Legal Issues Concerning the Water Preserve Areas* (Fla. Bar. April 20, 2001)

*Florida's Burt Harris Act: Does it Protect Third Parties and the Public Interest?* (Georgetown University Law Center Continuing Legal Education; October 18 - 19, 2001)

*Wildlife Habitat and Land Use in the Florida Keys* (Fla. Bar, Env & Land Use Law Section )(January 18, 2001).

*Carrying Capacity in the Florida Keys: The Implications for Land Use Planning*, A NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM: ASSESSING THE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT ON AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS AND WATER QUALITY (Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission, Natural Resources Department, 1996).

*Quit Exploiting the Everglades*, ENGINEERING NEWS-RECORD, Jan. 11, 1999, at 59 (Co-author)

*Florida's Growth Management Act: How Far We Have Come, and How Far We Have Yet to Go*, 20 NOVA L. REV. 589 (1996).

*Looking for the Middle Ground in Snyder*, 15 ENVTL. & LAND USE LAW SEC. REP. (1993).

*Takings Law in Florida: Ramifications of Lucas and Reahard*, 8 J. LAND USE & ENVTL. L. 432 (1993).

*Federal Offshore Leasing: States' Concerns Fall on Deaf Ears*, 2 J. LAND USE & ENVTL. L. 249 (1986).

*A Return to Sunshine: Florida Sunsets Open Government Exemptions*, 13 F. S. U. L. REV. 705 (1985) (co-author with Barry Richard).

Numerous published Continuing Legal Education and other articles and outlines on growth management, land use, environmental and property rights law.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Florida Bar Association, Member since 1986. Licensed to practice in the United States' District Court for the Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Florida and the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals Public Interest Committee, Environmental and Land Use Law Section, Florida Bar Public Interest Section, Florida Bar Local Government Law Section, Florida Bar Administrative Law Section, Florida Bar Trial Lawyers Section, Florida Bar

## **AWARDS**

2005 Most Effective Environmental Lawyer, Daily Business Review  
2002 Everglades Coalition Conservationist of the Year  
2002 Conservationist of the Year, Audubon Society of the Everglades.  
2000 Environmentalist of the Year (City Link Newspaper)  
2000 Martin County Conservation Alliance Public Service Award  
1999 Conservationist of the Year (Florida Wildlife Federation)  
1997 Hal Scott Memorial Award (Florida Audubon Society)  
1995 Individual of the Year (Last Stand)