

Charles M. Greene

Mediator, Special Magistrate, Arbitrator

Contact

About

Charlie Greene retired as a Circuit Judge after more than 32 years on the bench. Most recently, he served as the Administrative Judge of the probate and guardianship division for Florida's 17th Judicial Circuit. Before that, he was assigned to the complex civil litigation division and presided over lengthy and complex trials.

He also served in the criminal division (presiding over more than 30 first-degree murder trials), the family division and the civil division and was the Administrative Judge of the criminal division, overseeing the trial, domestic violence, career criminal and drug court divisions and presiding over felony trials. As a Circuit Judge, he has presided over more than 1,000 jury trials and tens of thousands of hearings and non-jury trials. He also was an Associate Judge for the 4th District Court of Appeals. Previously, as an attorney, he litigated over 100 jury trials to completion.

After graduating from Nova Southeastern University's law school, Charlie served in the State Attorney's office for the 17th and 20th circuits, spending almost six years as a prosecutor. He then went into private general practice, specializing in criminal and family law. He was also the legal advisor to the Boca Raton Police Department when he was elected Judge in 1990.

He is a commercial-rated pilot and a member of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, serving as an aircraft commander. He also volunteers as a pilot with numerous organizations to transport organ-transplant patients and fulfill other medical needs and for compassion flights.

Education & Qualifications

- J.D., Nova Southeastern University Center for the Study of Law (now Shepard Broad College of Law)
- B.A., Union College, Schenectady, N.Y.
- Florida Supreme Court Certified Family, Circuit and Appellate Mediator and Qualified Arbitrator

Professional Memberships & Recognitions

- American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA) – Fort Lauderdale Chapter: Outstanding Jurist Award, 2000 and 2007
- Supreme Court of Florida: Mentor Director for the 17th Circuit since 2012; Mentor for New Judges since 2002
- Florida Conference of Circuit Judges: Advanced Judicial College, Faculty Member
- The Florida Bar: Professional Ethics Committee since 2008; Pro Bono Service Awards Committee – 17th Circuit – since 2008; Standing Committee on Professionalism, 2002-2008 (Leadership Award, 2007); Trial Lawyers Section Advanced Trial Advocacy Course, Faculty Member
- Broward County Bar Association: Bench and Bar Committee since 1998; Judicial Survey since 1999; Peer Review Council since 2004
- Inns of Court Foundation – Stephen R. Booher Chapter: Master Benchers since 1998; President, 2003-2005

Bar Admissions

- The Florida Bar
- New York State Bar
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida

Areas Of Practice

- General Civil Litigation
- Complex Civil Litigation
- Personal Injury/Wrongful Death
- Probate and Guardianship
- Aviation
- Medical Malpractice
- Nursing Home Violations
- Appellate

- Settlement Fund Distribution
- Private Judging