Rita Baez

Name	Rita Baez
Judicial position sought	County judge
County Jurisdiction	Miami-Dade County, Group 31
Florida Bar number	75159
Date admitted to The Florida Bar	04/1996
Years in legal profession	28
Jurisdiction(s) in which admitted to practice and date (s) admitted	Florida - April 1996
Are you a current or former judge?	No
Area(s) of Practice	• Civil
List the primary areas in which you specialize or have legal expertise and allocate a percentage of your practice to each area.	100% - commercial litigation
Number of evidentiary hearings, trials and/or oral arguments in which you have participated as legal counsel:	51-100
Number of jury trials in which you have participated:	70
Number of bench trials in which you have participated:	0
Number of arbitration hearings in which you have participated as legal counsel or hearing officer:	0-5
Number of administrative hearings in which you have participated as legal counsel or hearing officer:	0-5
Percentage of your time representing plaintiffs:	99
Percentage of your time representing defendants:	1

In 400 words or fewer, without discussing any issue that may come before you as a judge, explain why you would be a good judge. Consider what relevant skills and experience you gained from previous employment that you will bring to the bench.

A native of South Florida, I completed my undergraduate studies at the University of Miami, earning a BBA in International Finance and Marketing. I furthered my education at St. Thomas University School of Law, where I obtained my law degree. With 28 years of experience as a practicing attorney, I bring a deep understanding of the law. My insights into what makes a good judge are well-founded having come from my extensive courtroom involvement. I am dedicated to maintaining impartiality and integrity in every case that comes before me. I believe in treating everyone who enters my courtroom with respect and ensuring that justice is served without bias or favoritism. My track record of ethical conduct and professionalism underscores my commitment to the responsibilities of a judge. In summary, my extensive legal background, practical experience in various legal roles, and dedication to fairness and justice make me exceptionally qualified to serve as a judge. With a lifelong dedication to Miami-Dade County and a steadfast commitment to justice, my extensive legal expertise underpins my candidacy for County Court Judge.

Are you or have you ever been Florida Bar Board Certified in any area(s) of practice?	No
UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE	University of Miami
Degree received:	BBA
Academic awards, honors, recognition, leadership roles:	Do not recall
GRADUATE DEGREE	St. Thomas School of Law
Degree received:	Juris Doctor
Academic awards, honors, recognition, leadership roles:	Do not recall
Number of hours devoted to public work while in law school:	0
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None

Please list activities.

accomplishments, honors or leadership roles in pro bono, volunteer, public or military service:

The Florida Bar Judicial Voluntary Self Disclosure Statement

Have you ever been found, either involuntarily or by consent, to have committed a violation of The Florida
Bar Disciplinary Rules, the Florida
Rules of Judicial Administration, or the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct for which the discipline imposed was one of the following: (a) public reprimand; (b) suspension; or (c) disbarment?

Have you ever been convicted or pled No no contest to a crime involving dishonesty or moral turpitude?

Have you served in the military?

No