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Katherine E. Cole

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TWO ATTORNEYS SELECTED TO FLORIDA TREND LEGAL ELITE NOTABLE WOMEN LEADERS IN LAW

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Hill Ward Henderson is proud to announce that shareholders **S. Katherine Frazier** and **Katherine "Katie" Cole** were selected to Florida Trend's Legal Elite inaugural NOTABLE Women Leaders in Law.

The selection criteria included demonstrated leadership in professional organizations and civic/community service initiatives, mentorship of other attorneys and promotion of professional practices and values in the workplace, and a minimum of 15 years of practice in the legal profession.

Frazier has been practicing real estate law for more than 30 years. Her practice focuses on various types of commercial transactions in both the real property and business areas. She represents local, regional, and national clients in connection with their commercial transactions in Florida, including, but not limited to, land acquisition and development, entity formation, leasing, financing, survey, and title insurance matters. She has actively represented automobile dealerships, with a particular emphasis on dealership acquisitions and dispositions and related real property transactions.

Frazier currently serves as chair of the Real Property, Probate and Trust Law (RPPTL) Section of The Florida Bar, and she has served as an executive committee member of the Section since 2013. She has been actively involved in the Section since 2004. The RPPTL Section is the largest section of The Florida Bar and is comprised of over 10,000 members throughout the State. Frazier also serves on the Foundation Board of Directors for H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute.

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Cole leads the firm's land use practice in Pinellas County. Her practice primarily involves representing property owners in the development of industrial property in western portions of Tampa Bay with a significant presence in downtown St. Petersburg and the beaches.

Cole works with clients beginning with the acquisition of the land, determining opportunities for development, refining processes for approvals, and seeing the project through the final approvals of entitlements to construction with the goal of helping her clients open for business with all the licenses and permits they need to do so.

She works closely with government staff members and elected officials throughout the region negotiating agreements, code amendments, and plans to allow her clients' projects reach the construction stage. Throughout the years, she has been involved in virtually all the projects on Clearwater Beach.

In 2017, Cole was appointed by Governor Rick Scott to the St. Petersburg College Board of Trustees and twice reappointed by Governor Ron DeSantis. She continues to serve as a trustee having served for two years as chairperson of the Board. She also serves on the Board of Trustees for both Morton Plant Mease Hospital and BayCare Health System. In addition, she serves on the firm's Management Committee.