

Trish Conners Inducted into The Women.Connected Hall of Fame-inism

TALLAHASSEE, FL — November 6, 2024 — Stearns Weaver Miller announced that Shareholder [Patricia “Trish” Conners](#) has been selected by the Women.Connected Committee of the American Bar Association (“ABA”) Antitrust Law Section to be inducted into its Hall of Fame-inism. Founded in 2020, the [Women.Connected Committee](#) of the ABA Antitrust Law Section aims to attract, retain, and promote women in competition and consumer protection law to increase diversity, inclusion and leadership in their respective practices. The [Hall of Fame-inism](#) honors those who have made contributions as role models and in promoting women in the antitrust, consumer protection, and data privacy legal fields.

Trish is a nationally-renowned litigator and creative legal strategist, with particular expertise in antitrust and competition law. She is Board Certified by The Florida Bar in Antitrust and Trade Regulation. For 36 years she served seven attorneys general, from both major political parties, in various senior executive positions in the Florida Attorney General’s Office, including as Chief Deputy. Trish has been a trailblazer in the antitrust arena. She was the first woman to lead the Florida Office of the Attorney General’s Antitrust Division, the first woman Deputy Attorney General to oversee the office’s enforcement units, and the first female Chief Deputy, second in seniority only to the Attorney General, herself. In 2001, she was also the first woman to be appointed Chair of the Multistate Antitrust Task Force of the National Association of Attorneys General.

Throughout the past two decades, Trish has been an active member of the ABA’s Antitrust Section and held numerous leadership roles on tasks forces and committees including currently serving as Co-Chair on its Compliance and Ethics Committee and on the Editorial Board for the ABA State Antitrust Practice and Statutes (6th Edition) Treatise. She is a thought leader in the industry and regular program speaker. In 2017, she was the recipient of the ABA’s Nelson Award, which recognizes outstanding contributions to the ABA by a government lawyer.

During her career, Trish has mentored countless colleagues, friends, law students, law clerks and interns. For two semesters, Trish served as an adjunct professor at the University of Florida teaching Antitrust Law, and manages to stay in touch with many of her students as they embark on their legal careers. She also volunteers with Bond Elementary School’s Mentoring Program through the Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce’s “Classroom Connection” project. In addition, Trish lends her time to a variety of noteworthy community organizations, including serving on the Board of Directors for both the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Tallahassee and for The State Center, a nonprofit organization that helps provide training to state Attorney General antitrust and consumer protection enforcement staff.

Trish is recognized in leading legal publications including being ranked Band 2 in *Chambers USA* for Antitrust (Florida) since 2024 and in *The Best Lawyers in America* since 2023. She was inducted into the Hall of Fame for *Florida Trend’s* Legal Elite for Antitrust & Trade Regulation after 10

consecutive years of recognition in the government and non-profit section and was selected in 2023 as [Florida Trend's Legal Elite NOTABLE - Women Leaders in Law](#).

When Trish retired as Deputy Attorney General in 2020, Attorney General Ashley Moody established the “Trish Conners Award,” presented annually to a lawyer in the Florida Office of the Attorney General who exemplifies excellence, professionalism, and has demonstrated a deep commitment to public service. She has also been awarded several recognitions from the National Association of Attorneys General, including the Outstanding Senior Staff Award and the Outstanding Chief Deputy Award for her leadership and contributions to the community.



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