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PARTNER'S PERSPECTIVE

Charles B. Jimerson - Pause for a Pick-me-up

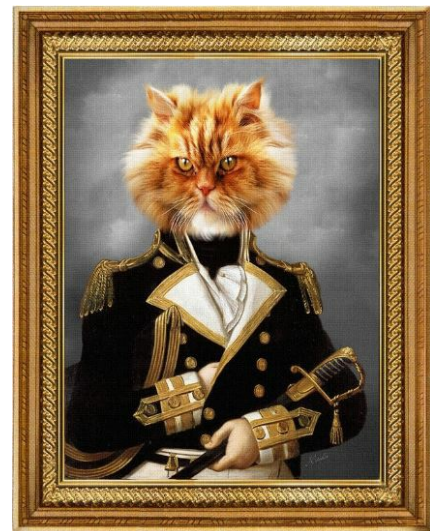
If you've read our newsletter over the years, you'd know that we write about a range of topics, all seeking to be a value add to your business or personal life. Most of the time we share leadership insight, or provide our friends

with a clearer vision as to who our lawyers are as people. We tend to err on the side of weighty instead of glib commentary. Sometimes rally cries and core value truisms feel more beneficial than amusing sidebars. Well, not today.



You see, when writing these introductions, I often fret about coming off as too preachy or dogmatic. Brainstorming for topics is usually easy for me, for I mostly write about a recent experience that moved me or a prevailing frame of mind that is worthy of sharing with our readers. For better or for worse, I actually enjoy an old chestnut of business or life dictum, and seek that type of information out in my daily reading. I'm a sucker for words of wisdom from people smarter, cooler, more successful, and generally better as a person than I am. Most of the time, I share those lessons in hopes it means as much to someone else as it meant to me. Come what may, the goal for my newsletter introductions is always the same: to express myself, to provide valuable information, to persuade, to evoke positive emotional reaction, or otherwise create a literary work that engages people and makes them think.

January 2020's newsletter is no different in that I'm opting to use this as an opportunity to share something incredibly simple that made me smile at the end of a very long year last year. Given that we are a few weeks into January and studies show the majority of those who bothered to set New Year's resolutions have already abandoned them, I hope you use this momentary pick me up for those who are missing the holidays, snowed under in literal or metaphorical context, or self-loathing from already missing the mark on new goals.



If the pictures of oil paintings featuring pets in uniform, historical portraits or famous art poses are not forceful inducements to embrace your sunny side for just 2 minutes, you might be on the path to becoming a fuddy-duddy museum piece. May these photos make you forget that you started the new year with a promise that you would lose 10 pounds, but now have 15 more to go.

As background, I recently discovered that the internet is replete with companies that take photos of your pet and turn it into a mantelpiece worthy of the grand mansions of the Gilded Age. It's really hard for me to explain to you why these tickle me so much, but they do. Gets me every time. As soon as my

family gets a new pet, you can best believe that he/she will be put on a distinguished General, mighty majesty or a fetching Princess canvas. I need a dog just so I can buy portraits. It remains to be seen as to where my wife would let me display such fine handicraft, but it will be a major focal point of the Jimerson house. Will definitely be my way of showing guests that we sophisticants from the Westside of Jacksonville have an eye for art.

Enjoy the pictures and welcome back to the 2020 hamster wheel.



Best regards,

Charles B. Jimerson

Charles B. Jimerson
Managing Shareholder

Northeast Florida Builder's Association Installation of Officers and Board Members



Managing Shareholder Charlie Jimerson was reconfirmed as a voting member of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Florida Builders Association (NEFBA) on January 16th at Timuquana Country Club.

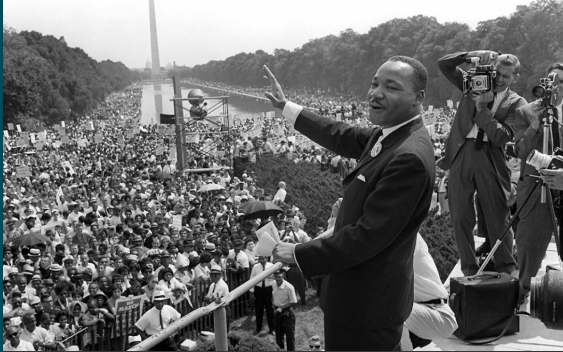
NEFBA is the state's largest builders association. Backed by a 75-year history of networking, community outreach and

industry development, NEFBA's primary goal is to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Northeast Florida. Its members are dedicated to that same goal.

Charlie has had the privilege of serving on the NEFBA Board since 2013.

WATCH: Giving Back is in Our Culture

Making a difference: This month on Buzz TV, Charlie spoke with Larry Celzo of Synovus Bank on how investment in the legal profession, as well as civic and philanthropic initiatives are central to the firm culture. Watch here: <http://bit.ly/39XNDof>



Remembering the Teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

On January 20th, the world honored civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. His teachings are timeless and we have included below what we feel are a just a few of his many inspirational messages.

- "Life's most persistent and urgent questions is, 'what are you doing for others?'"
- "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."
- "If you can't fly then run, if you can't run then walk, if you can't walk then crawl, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward."
- "The time is always right to do what is right."

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The Public Procurement and Bidding Process in Florida

By: **Patrick W. Krechowski, Esq.**

For many companies, the award of a single public contract can help cement long-lasting relationships that may result in years of continuing business. Therefore, it is important for companies of all sizes to know and understand the requirements and bidding process in Florida when bidding on a public procurement contract. A company's business development department must first ensure the contract is worth the time and money spent in not only performing the contract, but in compiling a worthy bid. Knowing whether your company can perform the contract, meet deadlines, and provide all requested information is vital in determining whether you should bid on a specified contract..

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Construction Industry Law Blog

Five Key Construction Contract Provisions for Contractors and Subcontractors

By: **C. Ryan Maloney, Esq.**

The importance of the terms of a construction contract in the event of a significant dispute on a construction project cannot be overstated. Simply put, the terms of the contract can be the difference between successfully navigating a dispute in a manner that still achieves a financially successful project, and a project ending in expensive and protracted litigation at best, or in an absolute financial disaster at worst. This article highlights five key construction contract provisions that every contractor and subcontractor should pay attention to in order to try to minimize risk and maximize the chances of a successful and profitable project.



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Business Litigation Blog

Checklist of what to Include in your Florida Articles of Incorporation

By: **Samuel B. Friedman**

Florida Law requires that any new company wishing to incorporate in the state of Florida file articles of incorporation with the Florida Department of State. The articles of incorporation is the document



that establishes the formation of the company. If ...

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Community Association Law Blog

Florida Community Associations: What is a Nuisance?

By: [Hans C. Wahl, Esq.](#)

What's that smell? What's that sound? What am I looking at? Whatever it is offends me. Could it be a nuisance? Florida Condominium associations deal with nuisance complaints on a regular basis. The challenge in addressing nuisance issues is defining ...

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Firm News

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Jimerson Birr heads up Judge Waddell Wallace's Reelection Campaign

Recently, Judge Waddell Wallace officially opened his campaign for 2020 to maintain his seat in the 4th Circuit, Group 30.

For anyone who knows of or has practiced before Judge Wallace, you are probably aware of his impeccable credentials and strong record of upholding the law.

He is widely respected as fair, objective, balanced and thoughtful. Since his appointment by Governor Bush in December 1999, he has demonstrated the highest level of profound service to the community, the legal profession, and to the State of Florida.

Jimerson Birr hosted the first planning meeting for Judge Wallace's reelection campaign on January 16th. Thank you to all those supporting this effort.

Jimerson Birr Holiday Recap: A Mix of Fun and Service

In the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, we made time to celebrate with our annual white elephant gift exchange, one of our team's favorite events. Whether you walked away with something you wanted, something you didn't know existed, or something that reminded you of "It's the thought that counts," a good time was had by all.

To further the spirit of the giving season, Charlie Jimerson and his children, Lila and Ford, volunteered as Salvation Army Bell Ringers on Christmas Eve to help raise money for our neighbors in need. According to Ford, "a lot" was raised.



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