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Florida Criminal Defense Practice for Paralegals

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Current Issues in Criminal Law

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- Current issues in
 - Arrest and detention
 - Search and seizure
 - Surveillance
 - Use of force
- Use of technical and/or scientific information
- Use of electronic communications, including text messages and social media
- Other issues

Assisting with the Defense of Criminal Cases in Florida State Courts

S. Vacciana

- Assisting with initial client interview
- Opening the file: obtaining and organizing critical information
- Preparing representation, retainer and fee agreements
- Assisting the discovery process
 - Practical investigation techniques
 - Drafting and responding to discovery requests
 - Working with lay and expert witnesses
- Preparing and responding to pretrial motions
- Preparing for and assisting at trial
- Preparing for sentencing
- Assisting with criminal appeals

Client relations and Communications: How to Handle and Address Issues

J. Torrente

- Attorney-client privilege
- Emails and other correspondence
- Relaying the timeline and process
- Documentation essentials
- Written agreements
- Conflict resolution fundamentals

Handling Ethical Issues in Criminal Defense Practice

J. Torrente

- Representing co-defendants
- Payment of legal fees
- Maintaining client confidentiality

J. Samantha Vacciana *Managing Attorney, Trial Lawyers of Florida*
Managing partner, Ms. Vacciana is a fierce advocate for her clients in the courtroom and within the community. As an immigrant from the UK, with Jamaican roots, her background fuels the dedication she has to her diverse community. This passion has led her to serving in several leadership positions and nonprofits such as the Florida Bar Foundation, Florida Legal Services, Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Caribbean Americas Soccer Association Inc., and Gang Alternatives: Project Renew. She is also currently a law professor at Florida Atlantic University. In 2012, Ms. Vacciana proudly opened the doors to her own law firm, Trial Lawyers of Florida. The firm advocates cases in criminal defense, personal injury, probate, and family law practice areas.

Julio Torrente *Criminal Defense Attorney, Alex Hanna Law, P.A.*
Julio Cesar Torrente is a graduate of St. Thomas University College of Law. During his time at STU Law, Mr. Torrente served as a volunteer Intern to Circuit Judge N. Hunter Davis of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Florida and as an Intern to General Magistrate Judge Steven Lieberman of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida. He was ranked #1 in his class for Florida Civil Practice and Legal Methods and Essay Writing. Before entering Law School, Mr. Torrente attended St. Thomas University, where he graduated, *magna cum laude*, and obtained a B.A. in Criminal Justice. In addition, he was inducted into the National Criminal Justice Honor Society, Alpha Phi Sigma. Mr. Torrente has great passion for justice and respect for human dignity and provides his clients with the utmost representation of their legal rights.

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