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Senior partner, Lydecker Diaz



■ Education:

Associate degree, with honors, Miami Dade College; B.A., with honors, Florida International University; J.D.,

University of Miami

■ **Career highlights:** Diaz is best known for his eight years as mayor of Miami, steering the city through its largest expansion in history and raising its international profile. Prior to his post as mayor, he was an accomplished attorney, handling successful commercial transactions, both as lawyer and principal. Highlights of his legal career include serving as executive VP and general counsel for Florida-based real estate firm Terremark Investment Services, where he oversaw the development and management of commercial development valued at more than \$300 million; senior partner at Diaz & O'Naghten LLP; and founder and managing partner of Berkowitz & Diaz.

MARK A. HENDRICKS

Managing partner, Lydecker Diaz



■ Education:

B.A. and J.D., University of Miami

■ Career highlights:

Hendricks is an experienced civil trial

attorney who has successfully tried and litigated numerous cases throughout Florida in both state and federal courts, as well as the Division of Administrative Hearings. He has specialized expertise handling governmental procurements for services, bid protests and related litigation. In addition to law practice, Hendricks is also active with the firm's client development, strategic growth plans and initiatives. An Eagle Scout, he gives back to the community by serving on the executive board for the South Florida Council, Boy Scouts of America and actively fundraising for the organization.

RICHARD J. LYDECKER

Senior Partner, Lydecker Diaz



■ Education:

B.A., cum laude, in English and psychology, State University of New York at Buffalo; J.D., Thomas M. Cooley Law

School

■ **Career highlights:** The firm's founding partner, Lydecker has a diverse and extensive background in the general practice of civil litigation, mainly concentrating in the areas of commercial litigation, insurance defense, professional liability, bad faith litigation and insurance coverage. Prior to his career in civil practice, he was a Senior Major Case Bureau prosecutor in New York, with success in preparing, managing and trying high-profile cases.