



RENE V. MURAI

Partner

PRACTICE AREAS

- Banking and finance law
- Corporate law
- Mergers & acquisitions
- Lending
- Real estate

EDUCATION

- Juris Doctorate (cum laude) – Columbia University
- Bachelor of Arts – Brown University

BAR ADMISSIONS

- State of Florida
- State of New York

AWARDS

- Martindale-Hubbell “AV” Rated
- Best Lawyers® in America - Banking & Real Estate Law
- Florida Trend’s Legal Elite
- Selected to Florida Super Lawyers since 2006
- Recognized by Best Lawyers® since 2007
- South Florida Legal Guide to Top Lawyers

Rene V. Murai is a partner in AVILA’s Corporate, Mergers & Acquisitions practice, as well as one of the leaders of the Banking & Financial Services practice.

Mr. Murai started his legal career at one of the largest international law firms, Willkie, Farr & Gallagher, in New York City, where he gained significant knowledge of corporate law. Subsequently, he was a founding partner of Murai Wald Biondo & Moreno PA, in Coral Gables, Florida, where he practiced for many years.

Mr. Murai has served as general counsel to several businesses of varying sizes. His banking experience includes 10 years serving on the Board of Directors of PanAmerican Bank, and Acting Chairman of the Board for the last five of those years. He also spent several years on the board of Premier American Bank, where he first served as Director, then Acting Chairman of the Board, and lastly, Vice Chairman.

He has been active in numerous civic activities and served from 2004 – 2008 as Chairman of the Board of Miami Children’s Hospital. He has chaired the board of other organizations such as the Florida Bar Foundation, the University of Miami Citizens Board, Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc., Mesa Redonda, and the Miami City Club. Rene has received an “AV” rating from Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory. He is a past president of the Cuban American Bar Association (CABA), and of Facts About Cuban Exiles (FACE).

Mr. Murai received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Brown University and completed a Juris Doctorate (cum laude) from Columbia University Law School, where he served as managing editor of the Columbia Law Review. He is fluent in English and Spanish.

