

Paul Shorstein returns to Pajcic & Pajcic



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Attorney Paul Shorstein has returned to the Law Firm of Pajcic & Pajcic.

In 2008, Shorstein left the firm to practice law with his father, former State Attorney Harry Shorstein. With his father now retired, Shorstein is once again part of the Pajcic & Pajcic team “to focus on personal injury and products liability cases.”

“We can trust Paul to handle the most complex cases,” said Steve Pajcic, who also added that everyone at the firm is “thrilled” to have Shorstein back.

Shorstein’s career began first in commercial loan transactions before moving into the field of criminal law. He served as Assistant District Attorney in DeKalb County, Georgia. He prosecuted “white collar crime, including complex racketeering and corruption cases, as well as other felony cases.”

Trio is tops for Root Ball



Co-Chairs Sally Ragsdale, Debbie Early and Tiffany Davis

Tiffany Davis, Debbie Early and Sally Ragsdale have been named co-chairs for the 2023 Root Ball, hosted by Greenscape of Jacksonville and the Late Bloomers Garden Club. Davis, a San Marco resident, is a Greenscape board member. Early and Ragsdale, Ortega residents, are members of Late Bloomers Garden Club.

The Root Ball, now in its 16th year, will be held Saturday, May 6 at 6 p.m. at The Garden Club of Jacksonville. Themed “Ante Up for Derby Day,” the Kentucky Derby watch party will feature casino games, Derby-signature mint juleps, a bourbon bar and silent auction. All proceeds support the Jacksonville community. Tickets are available at greenscapeofjax.org/events.

North Florida Land Trust interim presidency becomes permanent for Allison DeFoor



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Allison DeFoor was named president of the North Florida Land Trust (NFLT) in January after serving as interim president since August of last year.

DeFoor first joined NFLT’s board of directors in 2018. When then-President Jim McCarthy stepped down, DeFoor’s fellow board members asked him to fill the position.

“We are delighted to see Allison take over as NFLT president,” said Matt Ramp, NFLT board chair, in a January press release. “In his brief but extremely active tenure as interim President, he has more than earned the Board’s full trust and proven to be the perfect person for this role at this critical inflection point for NFLT which is poised for unprecedented growth.”

An Episcopal priest, DeFoor has served as the Canon to the Ordinary in the Episcopal Diocese of Florida for the last seven years. With degrees in theology, law and criminology, he’s also served as a county and circuit judge and has been active in conservation throughout the state for much of his career.

NFLT was founded in 1999 with a mission to “preserv[e] and enhanc[e] the quality of life by protecting North Florida’s irreplaceable natural environment.”

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