



**TIMOTHY M. RAVICH, ESQ.**

Timothy M. Ravich is the Founding Partner of Ravich Law Firm, P.A. He is a Martindale-Hubbell® AV-rated lawyer and one of only thirty-four lawyers in the state recognized as a “Florida Bar Board Certified Aviation Lawyer.”

Mr. Ravich is Chair of the Florida Bar Aviation Law Committee and teaches aviation law as an Adjunct Professor of the University of Miami School of Law. He is a regular commentator on local and national radio and television programming covering aviation issues and has served as an “Expert Legal Commentator” for Matthew Bender/LexisNexis in the area of aviation law.

In addition to authoring a course book entitled AVIATION LAW AFTER SEPTEMBER 11TH (VANDEPLAS 2010), Mr. Ravich has spoken and written extensively about aviation and aerospace issues at national and international conferences and for peer-reviewed journals throughout the United States and abroad, including the American Bar Association, Southern Methodist University’s *Journal of Air Law and Commerce*, the *North Dakota Law Review*, the *Florida Bar Journal*, the *University of Miami Law Review*, and the *Journal of the Transportation Research Forum*.

Mr. Ravich is experienced as first-chair counsel in bench and jury trials in federal and state forums, representing individuals and corporations in the prosecution and defense of civil lawsuits in the areas of aviation, commercial law, and products liability. In 2008-’09, Mr. Ravich was president and CEO of the Dade County Bar Association (“DCBA”), the largest voluntary bar association in the State of Florida.

Mr. Ravich has been named “Top Up & Comer” and among Florida’s “Leading Lawyers” and a “Rising Star” by several publications, including *Florida’s Legal Elite* and Super Lawyers®. He also was elected a fellow of the American Bar Foundation, an honor limited to one percent of all attorneys in the country.

Mr. Ravich is a *cum laude* graduate of the University of Miami School of Law, where he was the Editor-in-Chief of the *University of Miami Business Law Review* and tapped as a member of the Iron Arrow Honor Society. He obtained his M.B.A. in Aviation Policy and Planning from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and currently is training to qualify for a private pilot’s license.



**PUBLICATIONS**

- “Should Bad Airline Service Be Illegal?,” HANDBOOK OF AIRLINE ECONOMICS: A GLOBAL APPROACH (forthcoming 2011)
- “A Fresh Start for Mexicana? International Aviation Bankruptcy Law,” *Airliners* (forthcoming 2010)
- AVIATION LAW AFTER SEPTEMBER 11TH (Vandeplas 2010)
- “The Sunshine State, in Space,” Florida Bar *Journal* (Sept./Oct. 2010)
- “Aviation Litigation and Mass Torts: A Crash Course,” American Bar Ass’n, Section of Litigation, *Mass Torts* (2010)
- “The Integration of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles into the National Airspace,” *North Dakota Law Review* (2009)
- “Mandatory Retirement for Airline Pilots: A Solution in Search of a Problem?,” *Airliners* (2008)
- “New York’s Airline Passengers’ Bill of Rights: *Air Transport Ass’n of America v. Cuomo*, --- F. Supp. 2d ---- (N.D.N.Y. 2008),” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Claims against the United States under the Federal Tort Claims Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2671 *et seq.*,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Antitrust Issues and Predation in the Airline Industry,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Airline Liability arising under the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules for International Carriage by Air (the ‘Montreal Convention’),” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Choice-of-Law Issues in Aviation Cases,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Airline ‘Code-Sharing’ Lawsuits,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “The *Forum Non Conveniens* Doctrine in Aviation Accident Litigation,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Death on the High Seas Act (‘DOHSA’),” 46 U.S.C. § 30301 *et seq.*,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “The Railway Labor Act, 45 U.S.C. § 151 *et seq.*,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Air Carrier Access Act, 49 U.S.C. § 41705 *et seq.*,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)



**PUBLICATIONS (CONT'D)**

- “Alleged Racial Discrimination in Commercial Airline Transportation: *Cerqueira v. American Airlines*, --- F. 3d ---- (1st Cir. 2008),” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Airline ‘Bumping’ Claims,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Mandatory Airline Pilot Retirement: A Solution in Search of a Problem?,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “The General Aviation Revitalization Act of 1994, 49 U.S.C. § 40101 Note (“GARA”),” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Medical Certification for Pilots,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Defense and Appeal of FAA Certificate Actions,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “FAA Airmen Certificate and Civil Penalty Actions,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Admiralty Jurisdiction in Aviation Accident Litigation,” LexisNexis® Expert Commentary (2008)
- “Is Airline Passenger Profiling Necessary?,” 62 *University of Miami Law Review* 1 (2007)
- “Airline Alliances: Code-Sharing, not Blame-Sharing,” *Airliners* (2007)
- “Airline Passenger Profiling Systems after 9/11: Personal Privacy versus National Security,” 44 *Journal of the Transportation Research Forum* 127 (2005)
- “Deregulation of the Airline Computer Reservation Systems (CRS) Industry,” 69 *Journal of Air Law and Commerce* 387 (2004)
- “Without Reservations,” *Daily Business Review* (Special Report: Antitrust Issue, Aviation) (2004)
- “Antitrust and Online Airline Travel Distribution: Assessing Deregulation of the Computer Reservations Systems (CRS) Industry,” *Aviation Advisor* (2004)
- “Re-Regulation and Airline Passengers’ Rights,” 67 *Journal of Air Law and Commerce* 935 (2002)
- “The U.S. Airline Industry after September 11, 2001,” 8 *International Travel Law Journal* 254 (2001)
- “Flight or Fight: The Passengers’ Bill of Rights,” 8 *International Travel Law Journal* 102 (2001)



**PRESENTATIONS AND MEDIA APPEARANCES**

- Chairman, U.S. Corporate Aviation Summit, Miami, FL (Feb. 2011)
- Speaker, “The Montreal Convention: To Infinity, er, 100,000 SDRs and Beyond,” Florida Bar Aviation Law Certification Exam Review Course, Orlando, FL (2010)
- “Cancellations and Passenger Rights,” NBC Universal (2010)
- “TSA Worker Arrested,” NBC Universal (2010)
- Chairman, “Open Skies for VLJs in Latin American and the Caribbean,” MIU Aviation Conference, Miami, FL (2008)
- “Flight Rights,” NBC Universal (2008)
- “China Blocks Takeoff of New Airlines,” *Asia Times* (2007), available at [http://www6.miami.edu/UMH/CDA/UMH\\_Main/1,1770,39370-1;57155-3,00.html](http://www6.miami.edu/UMH/CDA/UMH_Main/1,1770,39370-1;57155-3,00.html)
- “Airline Passengers’ Rights, Miami-Dade Consumer Sense,” Cable-TAP television (2007)
- “Airline Passengers’ Bill of Rights: Is It Time to Re-Regulate the Airline Industry with New Customer Protections?,” National Public Radio (“The Conversation” KUOW), Seattle, WA (2007)
- Moderator, “Passenger Rights—Government vs. Industry,” Asociación Latinoamericana de Transporte Aéreo, ALTA Aviation Law Americas Conference for Legal and Finance Issues Facing the Aviation Industry, Miami, FL (2007)
- Speaker, “From Sputnik to Space Florida,” Florida Bar Aviation Law Certification Exam Review Course, Orlando, FL (2007)
- Speaker, “Why Airline Passenger Profiling is Necessary,” Florida Bar – Aviation Law Committee, Tampa, FL (2006)
- Panel Chair, “Surveillance Society: National Security vs. Personal Privacy,” 46th Transportation Research Forum, George Washington University, Washington, D.C. (2005) (panelists: ACLU, Electronic Privacy Information Center, Heritage Foundation, and Transportation Security Administration)
- Speaker, “The U.S. Airline Industry: Regulatory Impulses and Passengers’ Rights,” Policy Law and Management Conference, Newcastle upon Tyne, United Kingdom (2002)