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Christopher A. Penelas focuses his practice on land use, zoning, and government relations. He regularly represents clients before local governments and county boards. Christopher has experience representing clients in code enforcement proceedings, zoning applications, ordinance modifications, site plan approvals, appeals, and other administrative and quasi-judicial processes.

Born and raised in Miami, Christopher is actively involved in the community spending his spare time working with local political candidates and numerous non-profits.

Related Professional Experience

- Broward County Attorney's Office, Summer Law Clerk, Summer 2020

Published Work and Lectures

- *Miami Today*, Quoted, "Miami and Miami Beach thriving together, Kasdin observes," May 26, 2022

Affiliations

- Guardian Ad Litem, Volunteer
- United Way, LINC and Young Leaders Member
- Museum of Contemporary Art, Member
- The Florida Bar, Member

Honors and Distinctions

- *Miami Herald* Silver Knight Award Winner, Speech Category, 2015
- All Star National Trial Challenge – Winner and Best Advocate Award Recipient, 2021

Areas of Experience

Real Estate
Land Use and Development
Florida Land Use and Entitlements

Education

J.D., University of Miami School of Law, 2021,
International and Comparative Law Review, cum
laude
B.A., George Washington University, 2018, magna
cum laude

Admissions

Bars

Florida

Languages

Spanish

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