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Akerman Partner Grasford Smith Receives F. Malcolm Cunningham Sr. Bar Association's 2024 Trailblazer Award

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Litigation Partner [Grasford Smith](#) was honored with the F. Malcolm Cunningham Sr. Bar Association's 2024 Trailblazer Award, which recognizes individuals who advance the personal and professional development of African American legal professionals in Palm Beach County.

Smith focuses his practice on complex commercial litigation matters. He has experience representing Fortune 500 companies, government agencies, athletic leagues, technology companies, and a U.S. Congressman, in addition to a variety of small and medium-sized businesses. He is also certified by the Supreme Court of Florida as a circuit civil mediator.

Recently appointed to The Florida Bar's Board of Governors, Smith is also president of the Palm Beach County Bar Association and serves on the Florida State University College of Business Board of Governors. He is the chair of the American Heart Association, among several other roles, and is also the immediate past president of the Black Chamber of Commerce of Palm Beach County.

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