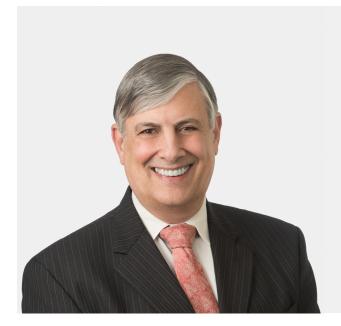
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- Akerman's Guide to Doing Business in Florida: A Legal Guide for Out-of-State and Foreign Businesses, Author, "Corporations, LLCs and Partnership Entities," "Florida B-and SP-Corporations," 2013 and 2016
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