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# Akerman's Spencer Crowley Discusses Growing Megayacht Demand and Evolving Marina Opportunities in South Florida

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*Law360's* "S. Florida Confronts A True Ripple Effect In Real Estate Crush" examines how the continued influx of wealth into South Florida is driving increased demand across the region's real estate and marine sectors, particularly for marina space serving superyachts and megayachts. Akerman's Land Use and Development Practice Co-Chair Spencer Crowley notes that while boating activity has long been a strength of the region, demand for larger yacht accommodations has accelerated in recent years alongside population growth in Miami and surrounding areas. He highlights the complementary roles of both Miami and Fort Lauderdale — Fort Lauderdale remains a leading global marine center, and Miami continues to grow as a lifestyle destination for yacht owners. Spencer also explains that expanding marina capacity involves careful coordination with existing land uses and environmental considerations, with thoughtful planning and regulatory processes helping to preserve South Florida's unique waterways while supporting long-term development.

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