★ HALL OF FAME ★

James G. Brown Inducted into the Section Hall of Fame

In April of this year, the Labor and Employment Law Section lost longtime member and former chair (1984-85) James G. "Jim" Brown. At the Annual Florida Bar Convention in June in Orlando, Jim was inducted into the Section Hall of Fame, a posthumous honor awarded to those who have had significant involvement in both the Section and the active practice of labor and employment law in Florida for a substantial portion of his or her career.

A graduate of Bates College and the North Carolina School of Law, Jim Brown focused his practice on representing employers such as government contractors, construction companies, health care corporations, and public entities in labor and employment matters. He represented clients before the National Labor Relations Board, the Florida Public Employees Relations Commission, and the United States Department of Labor. He was also a certified mediator who mediated over 800 labor and employment cases. He retired from FordHarrison LLP (Orlando) in 2016.

Jim was routinely recognized by peer review publications as one of the top lawyers in the labor and employment law field. He was not only well respected but well liked. In the words of former colleague Andy Hament, Jim Brown will be remembered for "his wide array of legal expertise, his story telling and jovial sense of humor, and his deep passion for basketball. A very good guy."