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After more than 13 years, Florida's First District Court of Appeal affirms judgment against Shands at Live Oak

On February 11, 2013, Florida's First District Court of Appeal affirmed the Hannon family's judgment against Shands, and closed the final door on Shands at Live Oak's efforts to deprive Nathan Hannon's family of justice. It had been thirteen years, three months and thirteen days since 15-year-old Nathan Hannon suffered the consequences of an untreated shunt malfunction due to Shands at Live Oak's substandard care. Nathan's family's dedication to his memory and the pursuit of justice to hold accountable those who were responsible for his death was inspiring. Through thirteen years, five trial dockets, four trial continuances, a month-long trial, and seven appeals, Nathan's family was undeterred in their pursuit of justice for their oldest son. **Chris Searcy** and **James Gustafson** were privileged to have been able to represent such a courageous and dedicated family. ♦

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Chris Searcy, Karen Terry in 'Elite' top attorney list by *Florida Trend* magazine

In June 2013, *Florida Trend* published its 10th annual list recognizing the top attorneys in Florida as chosen by their peers. SDSBS attorneys **Chris Searcy** and **Karen Terry** were included in the 2013 list of top attorneys. Honorees are selected by ballots submitted by in-state members of the Florida Bar. The list of Florida Elite represents less than 2% of active Florida Bar members. ♦

