

2018 TOWN ELECTION CANDIDATES

JORDAN W. LEONARD



Age: 40 **Spouse:** Meytal (Married 10 years) **Children:** Josh, 8; Bella, 5; Max, 3

Educational Background: B.S., Florida State University with a double major in Political Science & History; graduated from Miami Beach Senior High, Nautilus Middle & Bay Harbor Elementary

Professional/Occupational Information: Co-Owner & President of Pediatric Therapy Center, Inc., which provides speech-language, occupational & physical therapy for children. Previously served in multiple government positions such as an Assistant City Manager, Village Clerk, State Legislative Aide & Executive Director of a Community Redevelopment Agency with over a decade of professional public service. Currently serving as Mayor of Bay Harbor Islands, previously served as Vice Mayor and Council Member. Current Vice-Chair of the Town Litigation Committee and former Chair of the Charter & Ordinance Review Committee and the Parks & Recreation Committee. Currently the Incoming President of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities and also serve on the Board of Directors of the Florida League of Cities. Currently volunteer on the PTA Board for Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center. Former

Board of Director's & President of the Bay Harbor Islands Citizens Coalition and the Coral Sea Towers Cooperative Board.

Resident of South Florida since: Born & raised

Resident of Bay Harbor Islands since: Family has resided in Bay Harbor for four generations since 1954.

Hobbies and Interests: I enjoy spending time with my family and taking our children to the park.

Future Goals for Bay Harbor Islands: It will always be a goal of mine to support maintaining the highest quality of life at the lowest possible cost to residents and business owners. Continuing to provide the necessary resources for the public safety, investing in our long-term future in terms of infrastructure and becoming a more sustainable community. In addition, I want to continue to be sensitive to the needs of current residents, whether it be community programming, Town features such as parks, the success of the business district and the need to have growth that does not impede on the quality of life of neighbors.

Any Comments about Bay Harbor Islands: Becoming the first and only "Bobcat" to become Town Mayor, I have been both blessed and thankful for the privilege. I truly love Bay Harbor and want to continue our family tradition of raising another generation here. Over the years, I have gotten to know many of you as well as you have seen my family grow. I cannot think of a better place or collective group of neighbors to enjoy our life, share our struggles and raise our families with. Bay Harbor will always be the one thing that brings us together.

VICTOR J. MAYA



Age: 53, Single

Educational Background: Juris Doctor, University of Florida – 1990; Bachelor of Arts, Duke University - 1987; and graduate of Miami Beach High School.

Professional / Occupational Information: In 2013, I retired to care for my parents who lived in Bay Harbor during the final years of their lives. My legal career included serving as the regional human resources director for Wal-Mart Stores – Florida, responsible for improving associate engagement, talent recruitment, labor law compliance and other legal matters for 214 retail stores, 67,000 associates and 20 human resources managers. I also worked as director of labor relations and employment law for Albertson's, covering two states. I managed litigation, developed human resources policies, ensured compliance, negotiated and supervised the administration of 60 labor agreements, and served as a trustee on health and welfare and pension plans for 128 retail stores, a distribution center and an e-commerce operation. I am a former partner at an Atlanta labor and employment law firm where I represented

municipal governments throughout Georgia.

Resident of South Florida since: Resident for 33 years,

Resident of Bay Harbor Islands since: Five years

Hobbies and Interests: Observing and providing analysis of and making recommendations to improve Bay Harbor's government, reading, following sports teams, and enjoying sitting on the dock by the bay.

Future Goals for Bay Harbor Islands • The protection and safety of Bay Harbor Island's children is of the utmost priority. I will support measures and expenditures by Bay Harbor Island's government to ensure that they are safe. • Develop and implement more structured accountability at all levels and departments of Bay Harbor's government. • Our town needs to improve traffic planning and implement ways to reduce congestion, particularly from non-resident drivers. • The town's recent bridge repair, which was enormously costly, may not last more than 10 years. We need a long-term solution. • Strategic land use planning for our town's future must start today: Sea level rise must be accounted for in all future developments. While it will be another generation before our community experiences impact of higher tides, storm surges and flooding, our town can no longer ignore the inevitable and the multi-million dollar impact this will have on our residents and businesses. We must prepare for this through zoning, building codes, and hardening of our water and sewer systems. • Our town's elected and appointed officials must adhere to a culture of ethical compliance.

Comments about Bay Harbor Islands: We are blessed to live in a beautiful community that truly is a jewel on the bay. With effort and involvement by our residents, landowners and businesses, we can continue to make our home an outstanding and highly desirable place to work, live and play.