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A native of Orlando, Florida, Bob Cohen graduated from Brandeis University in 1979 with a B.A. degree in American Studies. He graduated in 1981 from the Florida State University College of Law, where he served on the Law Review. After more than 20 years in private practice, concentrating in administrative and civil law representing large companies, professional licensees and consumer associations, Bob was appointed by the Governor and Cabinet in October, 2003, as the Director and Chief Administrative Law Judge of the Florida Division of Administrative Hearings which includes, under its umbrella, the Office of Judges of Compensation Claims. Bob served as President of the National Association of Administrative Law Judiciary, as a Board Member of the National Association of Workers' Compensation Judiciary, on the Second Judicial Circuit Bench/Bar Committee, as an alumni member of the William Stafford Inn of Court, as a Board Member of the Legal Aid Foundation of the Tallahassee Bar Association, and has served as a consumer organization representative on the Federal Alliance for Safe Homes Steering Committee, The Residential Community Mitigation Program Advisory Committee, and the Department of Revenue Property Tax Administration Task Force. He is active in the community, currently serving as Leadership Giving Co-Chair in the Florida State Employees Charitable Campaign, having previously served as President of the Tallahassee Bar Association, the Legal Aid Foundation (twice), and numerous community organizations. He is a Fellow of the Florida Bar Foundation and a Charter Life Mentor of the National Administrative Law Judiciary Foundation. He is also a past recipient of the Florida Bar's Pro Bono Service Award for the Second Judicial Circuit. Bob is a frequent speaker on topics related to administrative law at bar events, regional and state organizations, and in the classroom. He is Board Certified by the Florida Bar in State and Federal Government and Administrative Practice.