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**BRIAN G. BECKER OF ELLIS, GED & BODDEN, P.A.  
PRESENTS AT HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH 2006 AT FAU**

BOCA RATON, FL (November 1, 2006) – On September 18, 2006 Attorney Brian G. Becker, associate counsel with Ellis, Ged & Bodden, P.A. served as a panelist for Florida Atlantic University's presentation on "A Nation of Immigrants". This event took place as part of FAU's Hispanic Heritage Month, which was held from September 14<sup>th</sup> through October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

The purpose of the event was to educate and inform current students, immigrants and members of the community with close relationships to immigrants, to the perceptions and realities of the new immigration era. Mr. Becker was asked to participate due to his high level of expertise as an immigration attorney in South Florida.

It is Mr. Becker's belief that the majority of today's immigrants, and the population as a whole, remain unaware that forms of relief and protection already exist today as a result of Section 245(i) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. To that end, there are immediate steps that can be taken toward application for permanent residency and citizenship, regardless of the outcome of pending reform bills.

When asked about pending immigration reforms, Brian G. Becker, Esq. answered, "The fact is immigrants don't need to wait in fear of the outcome of pending immigration reform." He continued, "While so many people in the country remain focused on what may pass, current relief and protection is available today. It is critical that immigrants not only learn about their options, but that they also have access to licensed attorneys who specialize in immigration practice."

Event attendees were grateful for the opportunity to learn more about their options and choices moving forward in protecting their rights as well as the rights of their family, friends, colleagues, etc. Florida Atlantic University administrators are very pleased with the results of this first year event and look forward to hosting an even larger Hispanic Heritage Month in 2007.

**PHOTO: Brian Becker, Esq. of Ellis, Ged & Bodden, P.A. speaks at FAU's Hispanic Heritage Month**

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