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DSI CONSULTANT DANIEL STERMER SWORN IN AS MAYOR OF WESTON

Chicago, IL- November, 21, 2012- Daniel Stermer, a consultant with Development Specialists, Inc., a nationally recognized management consulting and financial advisory services firm based in downtown Chicago, was recently sworn in as the City of Weston, Florida's newest Mayor. Stermer won the job after receiving no opposition. He previously served two terms as a City of Weston Commissioner—District 3, but was forced to step down in 2010 due to term limits.

Mayor Stermer was sworn in by Weston resident and Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz during a regularly-scheduled commission meeting held on Monday, November 19th. During his induction speech, Mayor Stermer encouraged residents to reach out to him often on any issues they deem important and to share any suggestions that will make the City improve.

"During my eight years as a Commissioner, my door was always open and my desire to understand all aspects of the issues and proposals before the Commission never wavered. That will not change in my new role," he said.

In a show of support, Bill Brandt, president and CEO of DSI, flew into Florida from Chicago to attend the swearing-in ceremony. Long-time friends and family also attended, as well as outgoing Mayor Eric Hersh and former colleagues on the Commission.

As a consultant with DSI, Stermer works as fiduciary to oversee companies that are in in financial trouble due to fraud or mismanagement. He joined DSI's Miami office in 2009, bringing with him more than 20 years of private and public sector experience, including serving as an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Legal Affairs, State of Florida, assigned to the Economic Crimes Litigation Unit; as a Special Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of New York assigned to the Organized Crime Unit; and as an Assistant District Attorney with the Bronx County District Attorney's Office.

Among other professional activities, Mayor Stermer is a member of the Florida Fiduciary Forum, serving on its Executive and Steering Committees; the Florida Bar, Business Law Section, Bankruptcy/UCC Committee, Receivership Study Group; Assignment for the Benefit of Creditors Study Group; the Bankruptcy Bar Association of the Southern District of Florida; and the Central Florida Bankruptcy Law Association.

Mayor Stermer holds a Juris Doctor from Touro College, Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center and a

BA from the State University of New York at Binghamton.

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