

Editor's Notebook: COVID Relief Fraud is Spiking in Tampa Bay, and Other Readouts on Business Lawyers' Radar

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Carlton Fields attorneys Erin Hoyle, Eleanor Yost, and Joseph Swanson were featured in a *Tampa Bay Business Journal* article, “Editor's Notebook: COVID Relief Fraud is Spiking in Tampa Bay, and Other Readouts on Business Lawyers' Radar.” In the article, the three discuss hot topics in certain practice areas as well as the 2023 outlook for business law. Hoyle, with a specialty in the Federal False Claims Act, touched on the rise of relief funding fraud and the Department of Justice strike force that is forming to combat it, commenting, “We’ve even seen them prosecute corporate executives as far as California.” Yost, who focuses her practice on Intellectual Property, discusses the challenges the IP industry is facing, stating, “We have to come up with solutions that our current IP system, which is 200-plus years old now, is not built to solve.” Swanson, who focuses on cybersecurity, talks about the explosion of activity that he has seen since the beginning of the pandemic, saying, “The volume is up, and there's just no limit to the ingenuity of the people carrying these out.” [Read the full article here.](#) Subscription may be required.

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