

Carlton Fields Bolsters Its South Florida Real Estate and Commercial Finance Practice with Addition of Brian A. Hart

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Miami, Fla. – Carlton Fields is pleased to welcome Brian A. Hart, a shareholder in the firm's Miami office, and a member of its Real Estate and Commercial Finance practice group. He joins Carlton Fields from his own Miami-area firm, The Hart Law Firm. Hart brings more than 30 years of experience that enables him to provide clients with practical, real world solutions to their business and legal challenges. He advises companies and high-net-worth individuals in a full range of business and legal matters, including real estate transactions, corporate and commercial law, banking and finance, and health care transactions. He represents real estate development firms, shopping centers, restaurants, franchise businesses, office buildings, mortgage companies, lending institutions, banks, hospitals and health care facilities, including medical diagnostic centers, nursing homes, clinical laboratories and mobile diagnostic providers. Hart handles all types of complex real property matters, including acquisition, development, and sale of commercial and residential real estate; acquisition, construction and permanent real estate financing; joint ventures, syndications and the formation of partnerships; loan restructuring, including problem loans and workouts; commercial leases; real property title examination and resolution of matters that affect title to real property. "Brian serves both a national and local base of real estate and finance clients, who benefit from his high-value advice as he guides them through all the intricacies of their complex transactions," said Robert S. Freedman, co-chair of Carlton Fields' Real Estate and Commercial Finance practice group. Amy E. Furness and Steven J. Brodie, Carlton Fields Miami office comanaging shareholders added, respectively: "Brian is a significant strategic addition to our strong team of real estate attorneys." "Brian will be an important contributor to the continuing growth of our real estate and finance practice in South Florida and beyond." Hart provides counsel to clients on corporate finance and transactional matters. He represents corporate borrowers in public and private debt and equity offerings (registered and exempt); real estate syndications, including construction and permanent loans; revolving credit facilities (secured and unsecured); leveraged

business acquisitions; receivables financing; sale-lease backs; letters of credit facilities; and loan workouts. He also has significant experience in all facets of health care transactions, such as the purchase and sale of medical facilities including hospitals and nursing homes; the formation of medical group practices; and negotiations of employment, medical services, equipment leasing, and finance transactions. Hart said, "I was drawn to Carlton Fields' collaborative culture and strong reputation in transactional and litigation work. I'm excited about working with my new colleagues, many I know and respect, and the ability to work hand-in-hand with the firm's 10 offices, which offer opportunities and expanded services for clients." Hart received his J.D., with honors, from the University of Florida's Fredric G. Levin College of Law and his B.B.A., *cum laude*, from the University of Miami. He is a member of The Florida Bar.

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