

Carlton Fields Shareholder Ken Tinkler Receives Lifetime Achievement Award from Florida Bar Environmental and Land Use Law Section

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Carlton Fields Tampa Shareholder Ken Tinkler received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Environmental and Land Use Law Section (ELULS) of The Florida Bar last Friday, September 23 during the section's 50th Annual Meeting. This special award is bestowed to ELULS members who, during their lifetimes, have made significant contributions to the Section. Tinkler is a recognized government law specialist who focuses on resolving disputes with and among government agencies involving land use regulation, environmental permitting, ethics regulation, and election law. In addition to his private practice, Tinkler is a technology enthusiast. This award reflects his commitment to manage a technology project for ELULS that commenced 26 years ago under his leadership. In 1996 Tinkler was a third-year law student at the University of Florida (UF) where he helped found the first online law journal — *The Journal of Technology Law & Policy* — and craft the first online promotion of a student event at the law school — [the Public Interest Environmental Conference](#) — which he also chaired. The journal and conference have since become UF institutions. Tinkler also served as an intern at the UF Center for Governmental Responsibility, where his technology skills were recognized and he was asked to take on the task of getting ELULS online. ELULS was the first Florida Bar section to go online. ELULS.org was born in a time of Netscape and Windows 95. After law school, as Tinkler built his law practice, he continued to manage and nurture ELULS.org's internet activities for 26 years, through waves of technological changes, stepping down from the role in July of this year.

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