

# **Government Law & Consulting**

# Overview

Carlton Fields helps clients, including the largest single-site developer in the country, solve wideranging federal, state, and local government law challenges from coast to coast. We address problems through negotiation, litigation, and legislation. Our lawyers, lobbyists, land planners, and consultants handle matters related to complex land use litigation and large-scale approvals; longterm resolution of complex environmental law issues; groundbreaking legislation with tremendous economic impact; election law challenges that gain international attention, and many other contractual, procurement, and economic development issues that impact corporations, individuals, and government agencies.

We assist clients with:

- Government affairs and lobbying
- Environmental, land use and development approvals and litigation
- Administrative litigation and appeals

# Insights

01.29.2024

Can You Live Local? Benefits and Challenges of Developing Affordable Housing in Florida

08.04.2023 Colorado DOI Fast-Tracks Big Data Governance Rulemaking

07.19.2023

New Attestation for Florida Residential Property Insurers

# 06.27.2023 Not So Independent: SCOTUS Upholds State Judicial Review for Elections

06.20.2023 Colorado DOI Summer Reading for Life Insurers

05.23.2023 New Florida Law Banning Real Estate Ownership by Foreign Principals From Certain Foreign Countries

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03.29.2023 Opening Day: Regulators Showcase Big Data Initiatives at NAIC Spring Meeting

03.09.2023 Auto Insurers to Join Life Insurers at Colorado DOI's Big Data Dance

02.10.2023 Colorado February 7 Stakeholder Meeting Shines Light on the Departments Draft Proposed Data Governance Rule

02.07.2023 Tallahassee Update - Theme Parks, Special Districts, and the Florida Legislature

02.03.2023 Does Colorado's Draft Big Data Governance Rule Foretell of a Long Winter or an Early Spring?

11.08.2022 ABA Sound Advice: Five Tips for Successful Local Counsel Engagements

#### 09.08.2022

Private Equity Investments in Insurance Companies: Regulators Approach From All Directions

07.29.2022 Tips for Reacting to an "In-Person" Public Records Request Under Florida's Public Records Act

07.27.2022 Florida Announces Temporary Reinsurance Arrangement for Insurers in Light of Potential Rating Downgrades

06.07.2022 OIR Releases Details on New Reinsurance Program: Rate Filing for 2022-2023 Contract Year Due June 30

05.26.2022 New Legislation From Florida Special Session on Property Insurance Reform

05.23.2022 Florida Special Session on Property Insurance Reform: What Insurers Need to Know

05.11.2022 Foreign Ownership of Florida Insurers: Concern With Country Concentration

05.11.2022 Action-Packed Spring for NAIC Special Committee on Race and Insurance

03.28.2022 Two Property and Casualty Bills Headed to Fla. Governor: What Insurers Need to Know

02.11.2022 New Property Claims Litigation Data Call and Template 10.20.2021

DOJ Unveils New Initiative to Pursue Cybersecurity-Related Fraud by Government Contractors and Grant Recipients

10.07.2021 What Contractors Need to Know About Vaccination Mandates and New "Safer Federal Workforce" Guidance

10.01.2021 Fla. High Court Codifies the 'Apex Doctrine': Discovery Protection for Corporate Decision-Makers *Daily Business Review* 

09.01.2021 Ensuring an Informed Public: State Open Records and Meetings Laws *American Bar Association* 

07.19.2021

UPDATED: House Bill 59 Creates Delays on the Filing of New Comprehensive Plan Amendments

06.28.2021 New Guidance for Condo Developers on Use of Contract Deposits

04.01.2021 Gov. DeSantis Signs COVID-19 Business Liability Protection Bill Into Law

03.05.2021 Texas Federal District Court Overturns CDC Eviction Moratorium

01.28.2021 Florida Legislation Protects Businesses From COVID-19 Lawsuits

07.06.2020 Gov. DeSantis Signs Law to Address Emotional Support Animals in Housing

### 07.01.2020 Hotel Ruling Could Save Disney World Millions in Taxes

06.25.2020 Florida Legislative Amendment Impacting County Court Appeals

06.24.2020 Is the CARES Act Caring Enough?

06.12.2020 Florida Legislature and Governor DeSantis Ease Path to Approve Affordable Housing

05.27.2020 President Trump Signs Executive Order on Regulatory Relief to Support Economic Recovery *HR Daily Advisor* 

05.22.2020 2020 Florida Legislative Post-Session Report

05.20.2020 Inverse Condemnation and Government Pandemic Response

04.07.2020 Florida Department of Environmental Protection Issues Environmental Order for COVID-19-Related Time Extensions

03.27.2020 Coronavirus State Insurance Regulatory Developments

03.25.2020 Who Is in Charge? A Pandemic Primer on Government Authority

03.21.2020 Can Governments Commandeer Your Property During COVID-19? California Says Yes

# 03.19.2020 Florida Local Governments Cancel Public Hearings Due to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

03.18.2020 COVID-19's Impact on Building and Development Permits

02.25.2020 Florida Bad Faith Legislation

02.04.2020 Surtax in Gridlock – The Saga of Hillsborough County's Transportation Surtax Reaches the Florida Supreme Court

01.14.2020 Florida's Legislature to Consider Consumer Data Privacy Bill Akin to California's CCPA

07.31.2019 Florida Regulation of PFAS at Airports and Governmental Installations Ramps Up

07.26.2019 Are You Lobbying? A Primer for Those Working With Local Government

07.10.2019 Florigrown v. DOH: Florida's Vertical Integration Requirement for Medical Marijuana Licensees Held Unconstitutional

06.10.2019 Legislation Impacts Citizen Petitions for Florida Constitutional Amendments

05.14.2019 With All Eyes on "Implementation" of Amendment 4, Senate Bill 7066 Makes Significant Additional Changes to Florida Election Laws in Response to the 2018 Election

### 05.03.2019 Florida Hemp: Is Green the New Orange?

02.08.2019 They Really Mean It This Time... Three Things to Know About Trump's Second "Buy American" Executive Order

01.16.2019 Multiple Bills Filed in Florida Legislature to Limit or Repeal the Florida Constitution Revision Commission

11.07.2018 Florida Voters Enact Automatic Restoration of Voting Rights for Floridians With Felony Convictions

11.07.2018 Florida Election Recounts – Again

08.14.2018 Former Florida Supreme Court Justice Challenges 6 Proposed Florida Constitutional Amendments

05.10.2018 2018 Florida Legislative Post Session Report

05.04.2017 In Florida, House Bill 805 Will Likely Allow Insurance Policy Transfers

12.30.2016 DOAH Strikes Proposed Rule Requiring Public Notification of "Reportable Releases"

09.29.2016 Florida Department of Environmental Protection Adopts Emergency Rule Imposing New Notice Requirements

### 06.24.2016 SCOTUS Gives Landowners New Tools to Challenge Wetlands Permitting Decisions

06.03.2016 2016 Florida Legislative Post-Session Report

05.10.2016 Economic Incentive Applications and Florida's Public Records and Sunshine Law

05.10.2016 Key Economic Incentives for Businesses Considering a Florida Location

04.29.2016 Hillsborough County Adopts Mobility Fees, Ends Push for Transportation Sales Tax

04.26.2016 Florida Law Mandates Police Body Camera Policies—Then Lets Agencies Fend for Themselves

03.28.2016 Will Hillsborough County Adopt Mobility Fees in April?

03.15.2016 Florida Public Records Law and Government Contractors 2016 Legislature Makes Significant Changes

07.02.2015 2015 Florida Legislative Post-Session Report Released

02.18.2015 FAA Unveils Proposal for Regulating Commercial Drones

02.16.2015 Georgia Office of Insurance Issues Escrow Requirement Reminder to Continuing Care Communities

#### 11.12.2014

Maryland Insurance Administration Prohibits Use of Price Optimization to Rate Property & Casualty Insurance Policies

10.01.2014 Florida's Fight to Save the Apalachicola: An Environmental and Cultural Treasure at Risk

09.08.2014 Florida Proposes Rule for Annuity and Life Insurance Surrender Disclosures

06.12.2014 2014 Florida Post-Session Report Released

03.27.2014 Assisted Living Facility Reform Likely in 2014

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10.02.2013 Data Collection Under the Sunshine Act

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06.26.2013 Index of Sustainable Development Provisions in Florida Municipal Codes

06.11.2013 2013 Florida Post-Session Report Released

05.02.2013 Governor Signs Priority Legislation Amending Florida's Ethics Regulation & Campaign Finance Laws

04.30.2013 Florida Legislature Passes Manufacturing Competitiveness Act

04.09.2013 Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act Set for Markup Session

03.08.2013 Now In Session: Florida's 2013 Legislature; Summary of Expected Higher-Level Policy Issues

12.30.2012 Even if Merger isn't in Cards, Agencies Should Work Together More to Better Region *The Tampa Tribune* 

12.28.2012 Key to Bay Area Transit is Cooperation *Tampa Bay Times* 

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05.01.2012 Florida: An Economic Overview

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02.07.2012 Corporate Internal Investigations: A Modern Cost of Doing Business

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11.21.2011 Changes to Administrative Agency Rulemaking Procedures

10.13.20112011 Florida Legislature Authorizes Extension of Certain Development Approvals

09.01.2011 Contracting in the Sunshine

06.27.2011 2011 Florida Legislature Post-Session Report

06.07.2011 Capitol Report 2011: Mortgage Brokers

05.27.2011 Capitol Report – Economic Development

05.24.2011 Capitol Report 2011: Public Records

### 05.20.2011 Capitol Report 2011: Insurance (Part II)

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05.16.2011 Capitol Report 2011: Health Care (Medicaid Reform)

05.12.2011 Capitol Report 2011: Continuing Care Retirement Communities

05.12.2011 Capitol Report 2011: Health Care (Medical Malpractice)

05.09.2011 Capitol Report 2011: Election Laws

05.09.2011 Capitol Report - Growth Management Law

05.02.2011 Capitol Report - Agency Rulemaking

05.02.2011 Time For A Legislative Overhaul Of The Sunshine In Litigation Act

11.16.2010 Capitol Report - Florida Legislature Organizational and Special Sessions

11.03.2010 Capitol Report - 2010 Election Results

### 09.08.2010 Capitol Report - Proposed Constitutional Amendments

06.21.2010 2010 Florida Legislature Post-Session Report

06.02.2010 Governor Crist Enacts SB 1196: Distressed Condominium Relief Act

05.28.2010 PACE (Energy Finance Districts) Now Enabled in Florida

01.01.2010 Florida's Revised Growth Management Law Aims to Stimulate the Economy

06.18.2009 2009 Florida Legislature Post-Session Report

02.03.2000 Florida Local Government Land Acquisition Programs: A Survey of Local Programs

04.01.1997 Ballot Initiatives: Recommendations for Change

01.01.1996 United States Asylum Law: The Failure of the United States to Accommodate Women's Gender Based Asylum Claims

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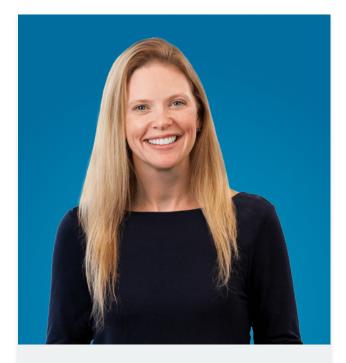
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