

Amanda Buffinton Talks Local Leadership with the Tampa Bay Business Journal

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In a recent interview, Tampa Managing Partner [Amanda Buffinton](#) spoke with the *Tampa Bay Business Journal* about what her recent leadership transition means for Shutts & Bowen, the changing market for legal talent and her experience as a woman in the legal world.

In the article, Amanda discussed how Alan Higbee's election to the firm's executive committee opened up a leadership opportunity in the Tampa office, following a recent trend of younger partners taking on leadership roles at the firm. Amanda explained that while strategic growth is important for Shutts, the firm's investment in its existing attorneys is important for succession planning and to ensure that its practice groups continue to thrive.

"We'll strategically continue to grow, and the word strategic is important. A lot of firms just want to grow, but we're not doing it for the numbers," said Amanda. "We want to get the right people in the right practice areas, and part of that is people putting their careers here."

To read the article in full, [click here](#).

About Amanda Buffinton

Amanda B. Buffinton is Managing Partner in the Tampa office of Shutts & Bowen LLP, where she is a member of the Construction Litigation Practice Group. A Martindale Hubbell AV® Preeminent™ rated attorney, Amanda is also Board Certified in Construction Law by The Florida Bar. Amanda specializes in the litigation and arbitration of complex claims related to professional negligence and design errors and omissions. She also regularly represents design professionals, contractors, owners and developers in various types of construction disputes including claims related to roadways and bridges, landfills, storm water systems, retail structures, hospitals, municipal wastewater treatment facilities, warehouse structures, and large condominium and multi-family structures. She has also successfully represented clients in construction claims involving personal injury and death, federal investigations relating to the False Claims Act, delay and acceleration damages, bond and lien issues, professional licensure, and building code violations.

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