

## Shutts & Bowen Partner Benjamin Gibson Elected Chair of the First District Court of Appeal Judicial Nominating Commission

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[Benjamin J. Gibson](#), a partner with the Tallahassee office of Shutts & Bowen, was elected Chair of the First District Court of Appeal Judicial Nomination Commission, a nonpartisan nine-member commission of lawyers who locate, recruit, investigate and evaluate applicants for the First DCA. He will serve a one-year term.

Gibson is a Vice-Chair of the firm's Appellate Practice Group and focuses on representing corporate, political, and government clients in appellate, litigation, and administrative matters as well as government affairs.

He regularly counsels political candidates, party committees, corporate, and non-profit entities on navigating and complying with the complex federal, state, and local laws that govern their political activity. Gibson also represents clients in administrative and enforcement matters.

Gibson served as General Counsel to Governor Ron DeSantis' Transition Team advising the Governor on the appointment of three Supreme Court Justices. Prior to joining the firm, Gibson served as the Deputy General Counsel and an Assistant General Counsel to Florida Governor Rick Scott for nearly five years. He counseled the Executive Office of the Governor on issues relating to ethics, financial disclosure, public records, and the Sunshine Law. In addition, Ben personally advised Governor Scott on more than 120 judicial appointments to Florida's trial courts, District Courts of Appeal, and the Supreme Court.

Gibson received his undergraduate degree from the University of Florida. He went on to receive his juris doctorate degree from Florida State University College of Law.

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### **Professionals**

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