

# Daniel O'Keefe Profiled in UF Warrington College of Business Alumni Spotlight

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Daniel O'Keefe, Co-Managing partner of Shutts & Bowen LLP's Orlando office, was recently profiled as a notable alumnus by the University of Florida's Warrington College of Business. He discussed his success in business and law, as well as how he uses his education to give back to UF through his work on the Board of Trustees.

In the *Warrington Wire* spotlight, entitled "Seeing Double: How a Gator twin found dual passions in business and law," Dan shared the factors contributing to his decision to attend the University of Florida, both in his undergraduate studies and for law school. He also described how -- since joining Shutts in 1999 -- he has seen tremendous growth in both his real estate practice and his firm's Orlando office. Other notable takeaways included his appointment by then-Governor Rick Scott to the South Florida Water Management District, for which he served as Chairman for six years.

Outside of his busy legal practice, Dan provided insights into his work as a member of the University of Florida Board of Trustees. In giving back to his alma mater, Dan explained that he has focused his efforts on real estate, finance and the student experience, with particular emphasis on improving students' university experience through feedback and survey data regarding how student services may be improved. "To be able to be involved and contribute to a school I really love is incredible," he said.

To read the article in full, click here.

### About Daniel T. O'Keefe

Daniel O'Keefe is Co-Managing Partner of the Orlando office of Shutts & Bowen LLP and former Practice Group Leader of the firm's Real Estate Practice Group. Daniel handles real estate and land use issues, from negotiating loans and government approvals to dealing with regulatory agencies and obtaining development approvals for builders and developers. Daniel assists developers, investors and home builders with local and national large-scale projects. Daniel is a former banker and represents financial institutions in loan transactions as well as work out and restructuring transactions. Having focused on Central Florida real estate for many years, Daniel's knowledge of the region and the industry was recognized by Governor Jeb Bush and Governor Charlie Crist, who appointed Daniel to the board of the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council. Daniel was also

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appointed by Governor Rick Scott to the South Florida Water Management District in 2011 and was elected chairman in 2013-2018. In 2018, Daniel was appointed to the University of Florida Board of Trustees.

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