

Nicholas "Nick" J.P. Meros Joins Shutts & Bowen as Partner in Tallahassee Office

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Shutts & Bowen LLP is pleased to announce that Nicholas "Nick" J.P. Meros has joined the firm's Tallahassee office as a partner in the Appellate Practice Group.

Nick represents public and private clients in high profile, high stakes litigation and appeals, focusing on complex constitutional, administrative and environmental litigation. He also regularly represents Florida state agencies and private clients in constitutional and administrative litigation and appeals in state and federal courts.

Prior to joining Shutts & Bowen, Nick served as Senior Deputy General Counsel and chief litigator for Governor Ron DeSantis. In that role, he defended the Governor and his executive agencies in constitutional challenges and appeals, including before the Florida Supreme Court and Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals. In addition to his active litigation portfolio, he provided legal counsel to the Governor, his senior staff, and the senior leadership of Florida's executive agencies while overseeing the strategic legal policy and litigation portfolios for the Departments of State, Environmental Protection, Transportation, and Business & Professional Regulation, among others. Nick also advised the Governor and his General Counsel on the appointment of 207 judges to Florida's trial and appellate courts, including two justices to the Florida Supreme Court.

"With his exceptional track record and deep understanding of the complexities of government law litigation, Nick will undoubtedly be a tremendous asset to our team," said Benjamin J. Gibson, Managing Partner of Shutts & Bowen's Tallahassee office. "We are thrilled to welcome him to our firm."

His diverse practice also includes representing landowners and developers in land use, eminent domain, and other real property litigation in state and federal courts and before the Division of Administrative Hearings. Additionally, Nick represents private clients in their administrative and regulatory matters before Florida's state agencies. He has handled numerous civil litigation and original writ proceedings before Florida's appellate courts, including cases of first impression in the areas of Florida constitutional law and environmental law.

"Nick's background and depth of experience further strengthen our ability to provide strategic solutions to our clients in the ever-evolving landscape of business, politics and governmental law," said Jack C. McElroy, Firmwide Managing Partner of Shutts & Bowen. "We are excited about the future and the opportunities that lie ahead with Nick joining our incredible team in Tallahassee."

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Nick graduated from the University of Virginia with a Bachelor of Arts in Government and History, and a Master of Arts in International Affairs, and was a member of the University's 3-time ACC Championship Men's Tennis Team. He earned his Juris Doctor from Vanderbilt University Law School, after which he clerked for the First District Court of Appeal and the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida. After his clerkships, and before joining the Executive Office of the Governor, Nick was a litigation associate for a national Am Law 75 firm.

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