

## Sarah Balk and Brian Paul Accepted to Tampa Connection Class of 2023

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[Sarah K. Balk](#) and [Brian J. Paul](#), attorneys with Shutts & Bowen LLP's Tampa office, were accepted to the Class of 2023 for [Tampa Connection](#).

Tampa Connection is a volunteer-run nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide local business professionals with the necessary tools to become active leaders and volunteers in the Tampa Bay Community. Each year, a select group of applicants are chosen to participate in the Tampa Connection "class."

The year-long program exposes class members to leadership development, social, and community service opportunities while immersing them in the local community. Additionally, local nonprofits submit project proposals to the Tampa Connection Board of Directors, with the selected projects to be carried out by the Tampa Connection class during their program year. This unique feature of the Tampa Connection program gives class members an opportunity to directly impact their local community in a positive way.

### **About Sarah K. Balk**

[Sarah K. Balk](#) is an Associate in the Tampa office of Shutts & Bowen LLP, where she is a member of the Private Client Services Practice Group. Sarah advises clients with regard to wills, trusts, power of attorneys, health care directives, estate and gift tax planning, GST tax planning, planned giving, probate administration, trust administration, business and wealth transition planning. She represents individuals, fiduciaries, and beneficiaries.

### **About Brian J. Paul**

[Brian J. Paul](#) is an attorney in the Tampa office of Shutts & Bowen LLP, where he is a member of the Intellectual Property practice group. Brian is also a registered patent attorney and is admitted to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO"). His practice focuses primarily on matters related to technology, patent and trademark prosecution, as well as intellectual property transactions and litigation. He also advises clients on matters related to due diligence, investigations, licensing, and unfair competition.

### **About Shutts & Bowen LLP**

Shutts & Bowen, established in 1910, is a full-service business law firm with approximately 300 lawyers in offices in Ft. Lauderdale, Jacksonville, Miami, Orlando, Sarasota, Tallahassee, Tampa, and West Palm Beach. Learn more about Shutts & Bowen at [www.shutts.com](http://www.shutts.com).



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### Professionals

Sarah K. Balk

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### Practice Areas

Intellectual Property

Private Client Services

### Offices

Tampa