

# Shutts & Bowen Partners Selected to Serve on Judicial Nominating Commissions

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Governor Ron DeSantis recently announced appointments and reappointments to Florida's Judicial Nominating Commissions (JNCs). These include several Shutts & Bowen partners.

The 27 separate JNCs act as the panels that recommend lawyers for judgeships, selecting nominees to fill judicial vacancies within the Florida court system. The Supreme Court, appellate districts, and circuit JNCs consist of nine members, all of whom are appointed by the Governor.

Daniel Nordby, a partner in the Tallahassee office, was appointed to the Florida Supreme Court Judicial Nominating Commission, where he previously served from 2012-2018. Daniel is appointed for a term ending July 1, 2023. Daniel returned to Shutts in January 2019 after serving for two years as General Counsel to Governor Rick Scott. His practice focuses on high-profile, high-stakes matters of law and public policy, particularly in the areas of constitutional law, Florida administrative law, and appellate law.

Miranda Lundeen Soto, a partner in the Miami office, was appointed to the Eleventh Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for a term expiring on July 1, 2023. Miranda is Florida Bar Board Certified in Civil Trial Law and has tried more than 50 cases, bench and jury trials. Her practice includes commercial and business disputes, professional and legal malpractice claims, product liability, complex fraud matters, public policy matters, cases of first impression, high-stakes personal injury cases, franchisee/franchisor litigation, trust and estate litigation and premises liability at the state and federal levels.

Two additional Shutts partners currently serve on Judicial Nominating Commissions. Tallahassee partner Ben Gibson has served on the First District Court of Appeal Judicial Nominating Commission since 2018, and was elected to serve as Vice-Chair of the Commission on July 10, 2019. Orlando partner Brett Renton has served on the Fifth District Court of Appeal Judicial Nominating Commission since 2016.

To see a list of the Governor's appointments to the state's Judicial Nominating Commissions, click here.

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### **Professionals**

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Daniel E. Nordby

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## **Practice Areas**

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