

Shutts Sponsors The US Special Operations Forces Women in Leadership Initial Leadership Conference

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Shutts & Bowen hosted the Initial Leadership Conference of "The US Special Operations Forces Women In Leadership Organization" (also known as US SOFWIL) sponsored by the [Tampa Bay Chapter of Women In Defense](#). The SOFWIL Leadership Conference was in honor of Women's History Month. The event was moderated by Shutts Partner [Sally Woodward](#).

The mission of both SOFWIL and WID is to assist women in their advancement to leadership positions both within the US Military and US Government Security organizations – as well as to assist women in their advancement to leadership positions in private US defense and national security contractors.

The SOFWIL Leadership Conference was attended by forty (40) women leaders from the US Special Operations Command at MacDill AFB – and the attendees were joined by 40 members of the Tampa Chapter of Women in Defense for a cocktail and networking event in our offices early yesterday evening.

The picture below is from the cocktail and networking event - pictured from left to right are Heidi Akers, VP Administration for SmartSat; Lee Grey, US Army Brigadier General; Rita Maxwell, WID Treasurer; and Sally Woodward, Shutts & Bowen Partner.

Shutts & Bowen was also presented a meaningful award by US SOFWIL. The award language reads: ***"Presented to Shutts and Bowen Law Firm for your dedicated support to Empowering Women Today and Paving the way for Women Leaders of Tomorrow."***

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