

Carlton Fields Strengthens Government Law and Insurance Regulatory Teams with Addition of Erin J. VanSickle

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VanSickle Most Recently Served as Florida Office of Insurance Regulation Deputy Chief of Staff Tallahassee, Fla. - Carlton Fields is pleased to welcome Erin J. VanSickle to the firm's Tallahassee office as a senior government consultant focused on insurance regulatory matters. VanSickle brings more than 15 years of experience in regulated industries, public policy, public affairs, and crisis management, most recently as deputy chief of staff of the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation (OIR). "Erin's multifaceted skill set is a tremendous asset to our clients," said William P. Sklar, who leads Carlton Fields' Government Law and Consulting Practice, comprising lawyers, lobbyists, land planners, and consultants across the country. "Her experience in Florida state government, paired with her knowledge of insurance regulations, makes her an excellent addition to our team." Prior to joining Carlton Fields, VanSickle oversaw communications, emergency management, and other strategic initiatives for OIR, which regulates a \$154 billion industry and more than 4,400 insurancerelated entities in Florida. Previously, she served as director of external affairs for Volunteer Florida and the Volunteer Florida Foundation, the state's lead agency for volunteerism and national service, where she managed public relations and legislative affairs. Before that, VanSickle served as vice president of communications and marketing for one of Florida's premier professional associations, where she managed public affairs and media relations for the association and its 20,000 members. VanSickle previously launched a communications firm where she advised local and statewide public affairs and legislative initiative campaigns. "Carlton Fields is a premier law firm with a substantial insurance regulatory practice," VanSickle said. "I am excited to expand my government affairs practice using the full range of my experience in regulatory issues, public policy, and communications." VanSickle is a Florida licensed insurance agent, and she earned her M.S. in risk management and insurance and her B.A. from Florida State University. She is a member of Leadership Florida and previously served on its statewide leadership team. VanSickle is a member of the American Council of Young Political Leaders, participating in a public diplomacy exchange to

Vietnam and Myanmar in 2014. She also served as Tallahassee chapter chair of the Awesome Foundation, which provides microgrants to nonprofits and startups, among other community service and board affiliations. "We are thrilled to welcome Erin to our firm," said Carlton Fields Tallahassee Office Managing Shareholder Christine R. Davis. "She strengthens our diverse Tallahassee team advising clients in a variety of matters of statewide importance."

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