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Shumaker Adds Community Associations Atty In Tampa

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Law360 (February 22, 2023, 4:57 PM EST) -- Shumaker Loop & Kendrick LLP has added a new staff attorney to its litigation and disputes services group in Florida following her work as a legal recruitment consultant.

The firm announced on Tuesday the addition of Danielle M. Lutyk to its ranks in Tampa. She will focus primarily on community associations law.

"It's an excellent, well-known firm," Lutyk said in an interview with Law360 Pulse on Wednesday. "The size of the firm, the breadth of the type of work, the type of individuals that work with the firm, and just its success and long-standing ranking were all contributing factors to why I was drawn to Shumaker."



Danielle M. Lutyk

Lutyk is an experienced litigator whom the firm calls a strong advocate for clients, thanks to her attention to detail and adaptable nature. She previously represented individuals and corporations in trial and appellate matters and has wide-ranging experience.

She spent the last year and a half as a legal recruitment consultant and senior legal recruitment consultant at Search Consultancy, a multi-discipline recruitment business, according to her LinkedIn profile. Lutyk also has experience working as an associate attorney at various law firms, including Wicker Smith, Lieser Skaff Alexander and Kubicki Draper.

Her background means Lutyk is fairly new to community associations law. She has an insurance defense background but says she enjoyed whenever real estate and property matters would arise.

"This was a way for me to jump towards applying my litigation skills towards that," Lutyk said. "I actually know someone else in the group here, and she had nothing but great things to say about the team, the type of work, and I have been exposed to community associations law before at one of my prior jobs, and I did enjoy it while I was working on it."

Doing community associations work was particularly appealing because of its future in the Sunshine State, she said.

"It's a constantly growing area and I think that's what's exciting," she said. "There's a lot of room down the road for business growth, business development and helping to continue to grow Shumaker's footprint in the market and I think that's another thing that's exciting, other than the law itself."

Lutyk is a graduate of the Washington University School of Law. She earned a bachelor's degree in biology from Georgia College and State University, according to her profile on the firm's website.

Shumaker was founded in 1925 and employs more than 300 lawyers and advisers, 55 paralegals and 550 employees. They are located in nine offices in Toledo and Columbus, Ohio; Tampa, Sarasota, Tallahassee and Dade City, Florida; Charleston and Greenville, South Carolina; and Charlotte, North Carolina, according to the firm's website.

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