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Shumaker Grows Business Law Practice as New Partner Nick Horner Joins Tampa Office

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TAMPA, FLA — Shumaker, Tampa Bay's largest business law firm, is expanding today with the addition of Nicholas D. Horner to its practice. Nick will serve as a Partner in Shumaker's Corporate, Tax and Transactions Regional Service Line.

Shumaker Partners and Corporate, Tax and Transactions Regional Service Line Leaders expressed their excitement regarding the addition to their team. "It is an excellent time at Shumaker, as we continue to attract top talent to our corporate practice," said Greg Yadley.

"Nick is a top-performing business lawyer who is highly respected for his work in mergers and acquisitions, startups, and taxation. He will certainly be an asset to our clients," added Darrell Smith.

Nick joins Shumaker after serving as a partner with Barnett, Kirkwood, Koche, Long & Foster, P.A. and an associate at Foley & Lardner LLP. He has extensive experience advising private funds and independent sponsors, as well as companies across all stages of growth on capital raising, fund formation, portfolio company acquisitions, and regulatory issues, including compliance with federal and state securities laws. Additionally, Nick has counseled institutional investors on private equity investments with capital commitments ranging from \$50 million to \$1 billion.

"As the Tampa Bay region continues to experience significant growth in both major developments and startups, we need attorneys like Nick on our team," Julio Esquivel said. "He will be a big part of future projects that will have significant impacts on our communities."

Nick's mergers and acquisitions experience includes representing corporations, partnerships, and limited liability companies on domestic and cross-border sale and acquisition transactions, joint ventures, mergers, and reorganizations ranging in transaction value from \$1 million to more than \$300 million.

Another area of focus for Nick is creating tax-deferred investments in opportunity zones, a subject on which he has lectured at events such as ICSC's West Florida Idea Exchange, 10ACIOUS' Executive Mastermind

Series, Tampa SCORE's Small Business Clinic, Florida ACG Capital Connection, and the White House Opportunity & Entrepreneurship Summit.

Nick holds a Master of Laws in Taxation from Georgetown University, an MBA from Florida State University, and a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Florida. He earned his law degree at Florida State University.