<u>Shumaker</u>

Alan J. Suskey EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT AND PRINCIPAL STATE PRACTICE



An eighth-generation Floridian, Alan has built an advocacy career representing world-renowned research institutes, technology companies, small businesses, and clients in both Tallahassee and Washington, D.C. He has also represented complex and extensive client matters in front of local elected officials throughout Florida.

Alan previously served as president of a boutique lobbying practice, with offices in Tallahassee and St. Petersburg, which focused on the Tampa Bay region and Florida's legislative and executive branches. His career experience includes:

- Policy and appropriations issues for some of the largest corporations and associations in Florida
- Representing nonprofits and municipalities throughout the state on appropriations issues, resulting in hundreds of millions of dollars in state funding
- Serving on Capitol Hill as the military aide to the late U.S. Representative Bill Young, former Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense. Alan's primary focus was on defense, intelligence, and homeland security projects in Representative Young's district in Pinellas County
- Serving as the External Affairs Director of SRI International's St Petersburg, Florida institute. In that role, he was charged

SERVICE LINE

Public Policy and Government Affairs

INDUSTRY SECTOR

Public Sector

PRIMARY LOCATION

Tallahassee, FL

EDUCATION

B.A., Political Science, American Military University with managing federal, state, and local legislative policy to include research-based appropriations requests in excess of \$7 million annually. These requests were specifically in support of SRI's Maritime Security Program at the Department of Homeland Security and in coordination with Florida's port leadership and the Florida Ports Council. This program led to the development of an open-architecture port security pilot project in Tampa Bay

 Joining former U.S. Representative David Jolly as a founder of Three Bridges Advisors, a federal, state, and local advocacy firm. As a member of Three Bridges, Alan worked with a diverse group of federal and state clients, advancing both funding and policy issues in a variety of sectors and led the Tallahassee office in the state affairs practice

Alan served honorably in the U.S. Army for eight years, holding multiple leadership posts and serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom. He was a member of the initial invasion force in Iraq and subsequently served two year-long tours of duty in Baghdad. As a military police non-commissioned officer, he served in several leadership roles training various first responders. He is the recipient of multiple awards for service, including eight Army Commendation Medals and the Valorous Unit Award. Alan was honored as the United States Army Europe "Soldier of the Year" in 2002. He and his wife, Sarah, reside in Tallahassee.

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Veterans Florida (Speakers appointee), Board Member
- St. Petersburg Chamber of Commerce Public Policy Committee, Former Vice Chair
- Pinellas County Science Center, Former Board Member
- St. Petersburg Pier Aquarium, Former Board Member
- CareerSource Pinellas, Former Board Member

HONORS

- 2010 Tampa Bay Business Journal "Up and Comer"
- Criminal Justice Lobbyist of the Year, Influence Magazine
- Lobbying Play of the Year, Influence Magazine
- 2002 U.S. Army Europe "Soldier of the Year"
- 795th Military Police Battalion "Soldier of the Year"
- 18th MP Brigade "Soldier of the Year"
- "U.S. Army Soldier of the Year," Runner-Up
- Valorous Unit Award
- Iraq Campaign Medal

