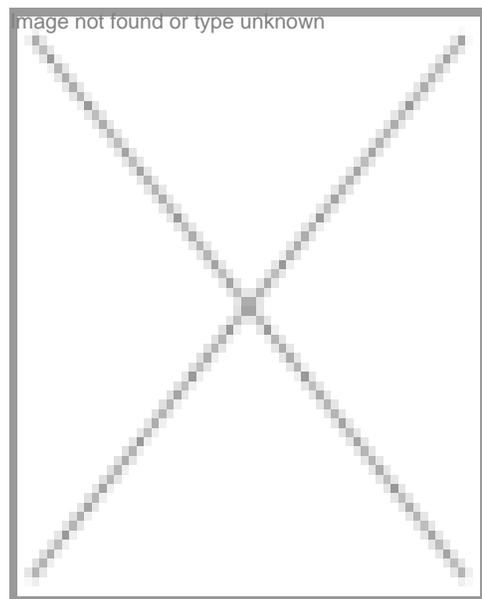


Woodrow Pollack Appointed as a Member of the Florida Blockchain Task Force

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Tampa partner [Woodrow “Woody” Pollack](#) has been appointed as a member of the Florida Blockchain Task Force.

Florida’s legislature created the statewide Florida Blockchain Task Force to explore and develop a master plan for fostering the expansion of the blockchain industry in the state of Florida. Specifically, this task force studies if and how state, county, and municipal governments can benefit from a transition to a blockchain-based system for recordkeeping, data security, financial transactions, and service delivery and identifies ways to improve government interaction with businesses and the public.

The Governor, President of the Senate, Speaker of the House, and the Chief Financial Officer will be appointing the members of this task force. On July 12, 2019, Senate President Galvano appointed Pollack, who also serves as the Chair of the Florida Bar Business Law Section’s Blockchain taskforce, as the Florida Blockchain Task Force’s first member. The task force is set to have its first meeting on Monday, September 23 in Tallahassee.

About Woodrow “Woody” Pollack

[Woodrow “Woody” Pollack](#) is a partner in the Tampa office of Shutts & Bowen, where he is a member of the Intellectual Property practice group. Woody is Board Certified in Intellectual Property Law by The Florida Bar. He focuses his practice on litigating complex patent, trademark, copyright and trade secret disputes. He litigates matters in state and federal courts as well as patent validity issues before the U.S. Patent Trial and Appeal Board. He also counsels clients extensively in developing patent and trademark portfolios. A Martindale-Hubbell AV® rated

attorney, Woody has been regularly recognized in Best Lawyers in America, Florida Super Lawyers, and Florida Trend's Legal Elite. Woody also serves on the Executive Council of the Florida Bar Business Law Section. He has chaired its Intellectual Property Committee, and currently serves as the statewide chair of its Blockchain and Cryptocurrency Task Force.