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Ms. Carpenter practices in the area of public finance law and local government law. She works primarily in the areas of affordable housing and local government finance and has been involved in the issuance of millions of dollars of bond transactions for housing authorities, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation and numerous Florida community development districts. Ms. Carpenter and the other Latham, Shuker public finance attorneys have served as general counsel to housing finance authorities, health facilities authorities and industrial development authorities, at the local and state level, and have represented various local governments, community development districts and public utilities. She has the ability to and has served at various times as issuer's counsel, underwriter's counsel, disclosure counsel and special counsel to state and local governments, and as developer's counsel, in public finance transactions. Ms. Carpenter also has experience in general business law and counsels clients in corporate and real estate transactions, and has represented lenders in their commercial transactions.

Ms. Carpenter is a member of the Florida Bar and the Orange County Bar Association. Ms. Carpenter is also admitted to practice in the state of New York and is a member of the National Association of Bond Lawyers. Ms. Carpenter is listed in the "Red Book," the Bond Buyer's Municipal Marketplace publication for 2010. Ms. Carpenter was chosen by her peers in the legal community as one of the "2005 and 2008 Legal Elite," by Florida Trend Magazine, a select group of the top two percent of lawyers practicing in Florida. She has been named as one of the "Best of the Bar" by the Orlando Business Journal in 2005 and 2007. Ms. Carpenter has also been involved in the past in the community as a member of the Board of Directors for the Citrus Council of Girl Scouts, a member of P.E.M.A. (Professional Environmental Marketers Association) and a member of C.R.E.W., Inc. (Commercial Real Estate Women, Inc.). Ms. Carpenter has served as a volunteer Guardian Ad Litem (G.A.L.) for numerous juvenile dependency cases in the Orange County juvenile court system and has been a featured G.A.L. in the Orange County Bar Association "The Briefs" newsletter. Ms. Carpenter is an active member of the Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network and interviews potential Cornell students during each "recruiting" season. Ms. Carpenter is a member of the National Association of Bond Lawyers and the Florida Association of Local Housing Finance Authorities

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