

# About the Editors

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**Martha (“Martí”) Harrell Chumbler** has more than forty years’ experience in Florida government law and administrative practice. Over her career, she has advised government agencies and public contractors on issues relating to the applicability of, and their compliance with, Florida’s public records and open meetings laws. Representative matters handled by Ms. Chumbler include advising clients in the protection of trade secret information from disclosure through public records and meetings, counseling clients regarding the applicability of Florida’s Sunshine Laws to their operations as public contractors, and defense of government contractors against allegations of Sunshine Act violations. Ms. Chumbler has also trained the staff and officers of clients that are subject to Florida’s government in the Sunshine Laws due to their roles as either government entities, public contractors, or semi-public entities. She developed a training manual for the Florida Association of District School Superintendents for use by superintendents and school district employees in responding to public records requests and has participated in annual school superintendent training relating to compliance with government in the Sunshine Laws and government ethics. She is also the editor and a chapter author of the book *Access to Government in the Computer Age: An Examination of State Public Records Laws*, published by the ABA Section of State & Local Government Law in 2007.

Ms. Chumbler recently retired as of counsel with the Carlton Fields law firm, which she joined in 1984 after serving for four years as an attorney with the former Department of Environmental Regulation (DER). She is a past chair of the Section of State & Local Government Law and is certified by The Florida Bar as a specialist in the area of State and Federal Government

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