

Press Release

Akerman Names Ginny Childs Orlando Office Managing Partner

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ORLANDO, Fla. – August 22, 2018 – Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm serving clients across the Americas, today announced Ginny Childs, a partner in the Litigation Practice Group, has been named office managing partner of the Orlando office.

“Ginny is an outstanding steward of Akerman and our clients in the region,” said David Spector, Akerman Chairman and CEO. “Orlando is the place where our great firm was founded and where our teams have greatly contributed to the growth of the Central Florida community. We look forward to Akerman’s continued success and impact in Orlando under Ginny’s able direction.”

As office managing partner, Childs will guide Akerman’s growth and recruitment efforts in Orlando, while further strengthening the firm’s relationships with civic and business leaders in the region. She also will play an active role in Akerman’s pro bono and philanthropic initiatives, with particular focus in the areas of education and youth development. Childs will continue her commercial litigation practice, with an emphasis on business torts, complex commercial foreclosures, and fiduciary litigation. An accomplished trial lawyer, Childs also has experience litigating public records compliance issues and non-compete agreements.

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Childs succeeds Charlie Brumback who served as office managing partner since 2006. Brumback, whose practice has involved counseling many of the nation's largest financial institutions in structuring credit facilities and related transactions, will retire in November after nearly 40 years of practice at Akerman. He was instrumental in a number of bank acquisitions, including the merger that resulted in the creation of SunTrust Bank.

"I am pleased to represent Akerman in this new capacity," said Childs. "This is an exciting time for our law firm, as we strengthen our focus on serving our clients and our communities in new and even more meaningful ways. I look forward to advancing our leadership in the Orlando community."

Akerman was recognized in 2016 as one of the best workplaces in Central Florida, according to the *Orlando Sentinel's* Top 100 Companies list. Its Orlando office includes 55 lawyers and is top-ranked in 15 practice areas, including banking and finance, commercial litigation, and real estate among others (*U.S. News – Best Lawyers*). The firm is also recognized for its leading diversity and inclusion practices, and among the most innovative law firms in social responsibility for creating a first-of-its-kind partnership with the National Court Appointed Special Advocates Association (CASA).

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