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## **Former Florida Department of Environmental Protection General Counsel Appointed to Environmental Regulation Commission**

(Tallahassee) [Craig Varn](#), shareholder with Manson Bolves Donaldson Varn (MBDV) law firm has been appointed to the Florida Environmental Regulation Commission by Governor Rick Scott. He fills a vacant seat and is appointed for a term beginning May 10, 2016, and ending March 1, 2019. The appointments are subject to confirmation by the Florida Senate.

Varn, recently named to Florida Trend's prestigious Legal Elite, has recently rejoined the private firm. Before his term as FDEP General Counsel, Varn spent 4 years with the Manson firm where he practiced environmental, water, land use, governmental and administrative law. He manages the Tallahassee office of MBDV.

Varn has 20 years of experience representing the private sector and governments. Because he also has a degree in civil engineering, Varn understands the complexities of technical evidence like hydrogeology and engineering as well as modeling and the other disciplines needed in these matters.

Prior to becoming an attorney, he worked as an engineer designing stormwater management facilities, drainage systems and support structures. He also processed environmental permits for stormwater management facilities. Coupled with his experience at FDEP, his knowledge of Florida law and applied sciences make him unique in the field and within the legal community.

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