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## **Oscar Anderson**

Oscar Anderson is Managing Partner of The Southern Group's Orlando office and a respected government relations professional. With over 25 years of experience in the public and private sectors, Oscar is skilled in cutting government red tape and navigating political trends, achieving impressive results for those he represents.

Oscar has successfully advocated for hundreds of businesses and organizations at the local and state levels of Florida government, specializing in areas such as budgeting, growth management, and housing.

He also holds significant expertise in the areas of economic development, public and private partnerships, strategic planning, transportation, and environmental policy.

Oscar began his accomplished political career as legislative aide to a Florida state representative, working his way through the ranks of local, state and federal government to eventually serve as Deputy Chief of Staff of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and then as the Chief of Staff and Assistant Secretary of the Florida Department of Community Affairs. During Oscar's tenure at DCA, he successfully directed passage of the landmark Wekiva Parkway and Protection Act, as well as the first overhaul to the state's growth management laws in over 20 years.

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Oscar proudly serves on the Board of Directors of the Florida Wildlife Corridor and also sits on Orange County's Housing for All Task Force and Environmental Protection Commission. He has previously served as Chairman of Florida's Affordable Housing Study Commission, as a Board Member of the Orlando Science Center and as a Trustee of the East Winter Garden Community Transformation effort.

Oscar holds a Marketing degree from Stetson University and a Master's degree in Public Affairs from the University of Florida. The grandson of a citrus grower from Lakeland, Florida, Oscar is a proud native Floridian. He lives in Orlando with his beloved wife and their three children, who are his greatest accomplishment.

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