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**October '05
to Present**

Tew Cardenas LLP
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Miami, Florida 33131

Governmental Affairs Director

Responsible for the coordination and management of the local advocacy practice. Areas of focus are setting goals, responsibilities and deadlines to guide the business and provide a forum for regular review. The local advocacy practice provides private and public clients with a full range of local, regional, state, and federal governmental relations service ranging from private meetings with state and federal legislative delegations to preparing and presentation of legislative priorities and appropriate requests. Duties include overseeing a \$2.3 million annual budget and a six-person staff.

**December '03
to June '05**

**Miami-Dade Dade County – Mayor's Office & Board of
County Commissioners**
111 NW 1st Street Suite 2910
Miami, Florida 33128

Director, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs**

Directed the intergovernmental relations activities at the federal, state, and local levels on behalf of Miami-Dade County. Responsibilities included preparing federal and state legislative packages, preparation of agendas for all public meetings, coordinated meetings and facilitated relationships between the Mayor, the Board, and state, federal, and local legislative delegations. Made decisions regarding hiring, discipline and promotion of 14 subordinates, rated employee performance and had indirect responsibility for 3,450 County employees. Responsible for annual \$1.7 million office budget, and \$750 million capital/management budget

**August '01
to October '05**

Miami-Dade Dade County – County Manager's Office
111 NW 1st Street Suite 2910
Miami, Florida 33128

Director, Office of Water Management (Overlapping, dual-role with
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs for two years.)**

~~Responsibilities included: acting as the County's liaison with the South Florida Water Management District, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, the National Park Service, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and other state and federal agencies. Reported directly to the County Manager on water-related issues such as flooding, water supply and conservation, and the Everglades restoration initiative to ensure water management policy issues remained top priorities. Prepared agendas for all public meetings.~~

**August '97
to August '01**

South Florida Water Management District
Miami-Dade Service Center
172-A West Flagler Street
Miami, Florida 33130

Regional Director

Responsibilities included: agency spokesperson; water resource policy development; providing technical assistance and education to Local Governments making water resource decisions. Also, preparation of agendas for public meetings; facilitating water use regulation and water resources planning; providing guidance to District management regarding the acquisition, restoration, operation and maintenance of public lands; management and administration of 180-person local agency staff and \$110 million annual budget.

**December '95
to August '97**

Miami-Dade Dade County -Office of Management & Budget
111 NW 1st Street Suite 2710
Miami, Florida 33128

Budget Analyst

Responsibilities included developing annual budgets totaling \$550 million for various departments with complex funding and making recommendations regarding departmental policy, programmatic, and budgetary issues; analyzed capital requirements.

**September '94
to December '95**

**Miami-Dade Dade County - Office of County Manager
Environmentally Endangered Lands Program**
111 NW 1st Street Suite 1200
Miami, Florida 33128

Assistant to the Director

Responsibilities included formulating, analyzing and reviewing the Program's Operational and Capital Budgets, \$91 million annually; overseeing fiscal activities including the review and analysis of financial reports; assisted in developing grant projects and preparing grant proposals, and administration of the 23-person staff.

**May '87
to September '94**

**Miami-Dade Dade County
Dept. of Environmental Resources Management (DERM)**
33 SW 2nd Avenue Suite 800
Miami, Florida 33128

Pollution Control Inspector / Hydrogeologist

Responsible for the enforcement of Chapter 24, Miami-Dade Dade County Environmental Protection Ordinance and managed contamination assessment and contamination remediation projects in Dade County. Also, oversight of the \$550,000 annual budget and staff of two.

TASK FORCES AND AFFILIATIONS

- **Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, Chair, Natural Resources & Management Committee, June '06 to Present, Appointed by Chamber Chairman**
- **Beacon Council, Board of Directors, Oct. '05 to Present, Appointed by Council Chairman**
- **U.S. Congress South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force, Working Group Member, Representing Miami-Dade County, March '01 to Present, Appointed by County Commission and Mayor**
- **Miami-Dade Flood Management Task Force, Member, November '99 to Present, Appointed by County Commission & Mayor**
- **Miami-Dade County Climate Change Advisory Task Force, Member, August '04 to Present, Appointed by Miami-Dade Clerk of Courts/TF Chairman Harvey Ruvin**

Previously:

- **Governor's South Florida Flooding Task Force**
- **Biscayne National Park Buffer Development Review Committee**
- **Chamber South**
- **Metro-Miami Action Plan**

EDUCATION

University of Miami

School of Business Administration

Master of Business Administration (MBA)

1995, Class Ombudsman

University of Miami

College of Arts and Sciences

Bachelor's Degree: Major-Biology

Minors-Chemistry & Geography, 1985

Biology Club President
