

# Ronald A. Brisé

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## Practice & Industry Areas

- Government Affairs Law & Lobbying
- Energy

## Education

- American Intercontinental University, M.B.A. in Marketing, 2005
- American Intercontinental University, M.B.A. in Management, 2005
- Oakwood College, B.S. in Biology Education, 1999

## Overview

Ronald Brisé leverages a wealth of experience in governmental, legislative, political and business arenas to represent the interests of clients in matters that include appropriations, business development, education, governmental and legislative affairs, public policy, and economic development. He currently serves as chair of Gunster's Government Affairs & Lobbying practice.

Ronald is an accomplished commissioner, legislative leader and senior executive with more than 20 years of experience in telecom, energy, utilities, government and business. He has established himself as a thought leader in telecom having testified before the U.S. Senate on telecom issues, served on the joint board on universal service and on the Universal Service Administrative Company.

With Miami-Dade County roots and his involvement in both Central and South Florida, Ronald's in-depth experience working in Florida's government began with his election to represent District 108 in the Florida House of Representatives at the age of 32 for his first term running through 2006 – 2008. During his time in the Legislature, Brisé was designated

democratic whip and served as vice chair of the Florida Conference of Black State Legislators. Following his tenure in the Florida Legislature, Ronald was tapped to serve on the Florida Public Service Commission where he served multiple terms including in the role of chair.

Ronald is passionate about bringing together different people and interests to accomplish a common goal, and leverages his relationships with policymakers both nationally and internationally on behalf of clients.

## **Honors**

- Caribbean American Heritage Council, Community Leadership Award, 2016
- Oakwood University, Distinguished Alumni Award, 2012
- Haitian Heritage Museum, Haitian Pillar Award, 2011
- Miami Dade College, Legislative Leadership Award, 2010
- Florida Legal Services, Legislator of the Year, 2010
- Success South Florida Magazine, 40 under 40 Award, 2010
- Young Democrats of Miami-Dade, Leadership Award, 2009
- American Cancer Society, Legislative Award, 2009
- American Psychology Association, Legislator of the Year, 2008
- Miami-Dade Election Reform Coalition, Legislative Leadership Award, 2007

## **Publications & Presentations**

- “Broadband Initiatives in the Federal Infrastructure and Jobs Act”, Moderator, Federal Communications Bar Association, September 2021
- “Redistricting in Seminole County,” speaker, Seminole County Chamber, Issues Committee, September 2021
- “Getting Commitment From Energy and Utility Sectors to Come to the Table,” panelist, Building Diversity in the Utility and Energy Sectors at Shades of Green Form, October 2019

## **Professional Associations & Memberships**

- National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, 2010-18
  - Executive committee, 2017-18
  - Board of directors, 2013-17
- Federal Communications Bar Association, Florida chapter, co-chair, 2018-present
- Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, 2010-17
  - President, 2015-16

- 1st vice president, 2014-15
- 2nd vice president, 2013-14

## **Civic & Community Service**

- Florida Education Foundation
  - Treasurer, 2022
  - Board of Directors, 2019-2021
- Florida Blockchain Task Force, chair, 2019
- Florida Public Service Commission
  - Commissioner, 2010-18
  - Chairman, 2012-14
- Florida TaxWatch, Center for Educational Performance & Accountability Advisory Board, chairman, 2018-present
- Central Florida Urban League, board of directors, 2018-present
- Universal Service Administrative Company
  - Board of directors, 2012-18
  - Executive committee, 2017-18
  - Treasurer, 2017-18
- Federal- State Joint Board on Universal Service, FCC, 2015-18
- National Utility Diversity Council, board of directors, 2014-present
- Children's Home Society of Florida, board of directors, 2018-present
- Intergovernmental Advisory Committee, FCC, 2011-18
- Florida Conference of Black State Legislators, 2006-10
  - Vice president, 2010
- Florida State Representative District 108, 2006-10
- Miami Union Academy, board of directors, 2005-10
- Albert C. Pierre Community Center, board of directors, 2004-14
- Haitian-American Chamber of Commerce, board of directors, 2005-12
- NAACP, 2000-present
- North Miami Planning Commission, 2004-06
- North Miami Chamber of Commerce, 2006-11
- Democratic National Convention, delegate, 2008