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### **Michael Allen, Procurement and Construction Attorney with Pope Flynn, Appointed to Charleston County Community Development Advisory Committee**

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Michael Allen, an attorney in the

procurement and construction practice of Pope Flynn, a law firm concentrating in public finance, governmental law, and procurement and construction, has been appointed to a four-year term with the Charleston County Community Development Advisory Committee. The Committee "provides policy guidance for and exercises oversight with respect to activities and services provided under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974" and also "makes recommendations to County Council on matters affecting the Consolidated Plan and other related matters." The Committee includes eleven representatives from local governments, three members that represent the financial, legal, and construction fields, and one community-based representative, all appointed by the Charleston County Council. Allen has been appointed as the representative of the legal field.

"We are very pleased with Michael's commitment to community service within Charleston County," said Joe Lucas, managing partner of the firm. "Our firm has served clients in the Lowcountry for many years, and our Charleston office includes not only our procurement and construction practice, but also a senior public finance and securities attorney, as well as senior counsel in public finance tax law. Our firm's founding partner, Margaret Pope, began her career in Charleston and has worked with

Lowcountry clients for decades. Over the years we have had the unique privilege of helping to build critical infrastructure in communities throughout the Carolinas, and Michael is continuing that heritage."

"I feel very honored to be appointed to serve on the Committee and to help in some small way with community development in the county," Allen said. "I love Charleston and have appreciated the opportunity to build a career and family here. My career in law -- and in the procurement and construction sector -- will be a good fit for the needs of the communities that the advisory committee serves. Our firm has represented the interests of public entities and institutions in the Carolinas for many years now, and my experience has intersected well with the firm's public focus."

Prior to his graduation from the Charleston School of Law with a J.D., Allen's career was in commercial real estate. He is a member of the Palmetto Society, and graduated from Clemson University with a degree in financial management with an emphasis in real estate and a minor in accounting.

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