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Shavon is a regulatory and finance attorney who began her career in the elite Washington National Tax Services practice of PricewaterhouseCoopers where she managed the pension funds of major corporations (including DuPont) and also represented The Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development, CARE International, and numerous private and public universities.

Thereafter, she joined a Fortune 500 company as a finance attorney responsible for domestic and international merger and acquisition transactions. Later, Shavon worked for a top-ranked public finance legal firm in Miami where one of her major representations was the securitization of billions of dollars of Hurricane Katrina bond financing for New Orleans-based HBCUs whose campuses were partially destroyed by the storm.

Since leaving corporate America Jones has led RegulatorGuards, a professional services boutique serving smaller regulated companies primarily in the healthcare and education sectors. RG helped lead a multi-year government relations campaign that resulted in the passage of legislation benefitting Florida-licensed nursing schools.

Through her and her team's advocacy, compliance, M&A, and litigation work within this niche, Jones developed relationships with business owners which led to the establishment of a business brokerage division. The **brokerage division of RegulatorGuards** represents buyers and sellers in purchases and sales of career schools, medical practices, and family farms. We connect buyers and sellers, provide due diligence and escrow services, draft the necessary legal documents and guide the parties through the regulatory approval process.

Most recently, Jones spearheaded the launch of [The Rural Fund](#), an opportunity zone fund that invests in rural towns anchored by major businesses including manufacturing plants, oil refineries, and A.I. data centers. The Rural Fund allows recent sellers of businesses to defer taxation on their capital gains and to permanently avoid taxation on dividends reinvested in the Fund for 10 years or longer. The Fund is an excellent estate planning tool for entrepreneurial families.



Shavon Jones moderating a bipartisan community forum for small business owners seeking redress from a controversial nursing law that was amended after a multi-year government relations campaign. Florida Representatives Nicholas Duran (Democrat District 112) and Ana Maria Rodriguez (Republican District 105) who both sat on the health care committees overseeing the practice of nursing in Florida addressed RegulatorGuards clients.