

ALLIANCE GLOBAL ADVISORS

Alliance Appoints Steve Spook to Independent Advisory Board

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Alliance Global Advisors (Alliance) is pleased to announce the appointment of <u>Steve Spook</u> to their <u>Independent Advisory Board</u>. Steve will join existing members John McClelland, Paul Dolinoy, Gloria Gil and Christina Scarlato. The Advisory Board consists of strategic advisors who contribute valuable guidance and provide the Alliance team with additional diversity of thought.

"The State Board of Administration of Florida (SBA FL) was a client of the firm during my time with Townsend and Steve's time with SBA FL," said Jennifer Stevens, Co-Founder & Managing Partner of Alliance Global Advisors. "I always admired Steve's investment acumen, his attention to detail and his mindfulness when it comes to analyzing risk and reward. He built an exceptional team to succeed him following his retirement from SBA FL and contributed so much to the industry over the years. We look forward to Steve's contributions to our growing team as part of the Alliance Global Advisors Advisory Board. Steve is also an avid Florida Gator fan - which bodes well for a few Gators on our team! For his sake, I hope their football team improves."

Steve Spook recently retired from the Florida <u>State Board of Administration</u>, where he served as Senior Investment Officer, Real Estate since 2011, overseeing the \$20 billion real estate portfolio. Steve was responsible for all real estate activities including the portfolio construction process and the allocation of capital across asset class investment strategies. The portfolio is invested in separate accounts, commingled funds, co-investments and REITs.

Before serving as Senior Investment Officer, Steve was Senior Acquisitions Manager, Real Estate at the SBA since 1998. Prior to the SBA, Steve served as a commercial loan officer at John Alden Life Insurance in Miami, FL. Steve received his BS from the University of Florida in 1981 and an MBA from the University of Florida in 1983.



"I've had the pleasure of working with Steve and his team during my time at The Townsend Group," said Heather Fernstrom Border, Co-Founder & Managing Partner of Alliance Global Advisors. "Steve's ability to gather information from his managers, collaborate with his team, make informed portfolio decisions and advise board members of imperative information has always been impressive. His devotion and loyalty to the state of Florida is remarkable. Steve remains an icon of leadership in our industry. I look forward to the contributions that he will continue to make in our industry post-retirement.

For more on Alliance's Independent Advisory Board, please visit https://alliance-globaladvisors.com/advisory-board.

About Alliance Global Advisors:

Alliance is a women-owned consulting firm focused on empowering the real asset investment community to elevate best practices. Advising clients with over \$620 billion in assets under management, Alliance partners with organizations to provide an independent perspective and innovative approach to critical strategic initiatives. Our partnerships allow senior management teams to focus on what matters most: diligently managing client capital, creating value and delivering exceptional returns in a performance-driven market. For more information, please visit www.alliance-globaladvisors.com.

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