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Bobby Carbonell

Bobby Carbonell is Director of Legislative and Cabinet Affairs for the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs in Tallahassee, Fla.

As chief legislative officer, he provides oversight in the development and presentation of the department's statutory and constitutional initiatives. As chief Cabinet officer, he is the primary point of contact with Cabinet members and their staff concerning department policy.

Mr. Carbonell was born in New Jersey and raised in Gulf Breeze, Fla., where he attended Gulf Breeze High School. He entered the Florida Army National Guard in Pensacola and attended U.S. Army Infantry training in August 2000. He deployed to Iraq as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003-2004.

Following completion of active duty service, Mr. Carbonell attended Florida State University in Tallahassee, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Affairs via the G.I. Bill in 2007. He was hired as a Clerk for the Florida Senate the same year. The following year, Mr. Carbonell served as Deputy Legislative Director for the Florida Department of Military Affairs. He assumed his current duties in June 2013.

Mr. Carbonell was honorably discharged from the Florida Army National Guard and was commissioned in the Florida Air National Guard in 2010. First Lieutenant Carbonell currently serves as an Aircraft Maintenance Officer in the Florida Air National Guard's 125th Fighter Wing.