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## **RODNEY L. BARRETO**

President, Barreto Group, Inc.

Rodney L. Barreto was first appointed by Gov. Jeb Bush to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission in August 2001 and was re-appointed by Governor Charlie Crist in February 2007. He first took on the role in 2004, and was nominated by his fellow commissioners as Commission chair for the fourth time in December 2007.

Barreto is owner and president of Barreto Group, with a real estate investment and development firm. Mr. Barreto is also the founding partner of Floridian Partners, LLC a strategy management firm with offices in Miami and Tallahassee - that develops and manages effective corporate and public affairs strategies to achieve specific business results.

Mr. Barreto is widely known for his civic involvement. Mr. Barreto is currently chairman of the 76th Annual U.S. Conference of Mayors Host Committee and was most recently chairman of the Super Bowl XLI Host Committee. He is a member of the Foundation Board of Baptist Health Systems and of the Board of Trustees of Goodwill Industries.. He also chaired the 1999 Super Bowl Host Committee, and the 1999 Breeder's Cup Championship and the 1999 year's Sister Cities International Convention. He also Co-chaired the City of Miami Centennial celebration. Mr. Barreto was the founder and creator of the Big Orange New Year's celebration that takes place in downtown Miami every December 31st. He is a board member for US Century Bank, Baptist Health Foundation and Goodwill Industries of South Florida.

Prior to his career in public affairs and real estate, Mr. Barreto was a City of Miami police officer. Mr. Barreto earned his Associate of Arts degree from Miami Dade Community College and his Bachelor of Arts degree in Professional Studies from Barry University. Mr. Barreto is married and lives with his wife Shelia and two children, Brittney and Bradley, in Miami and Key Largo.