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PRACTICES

Government Advocacy & Public
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Professional Background

Carlos Flores is a member of the firm's Government Advocacy and Public Policy practice, where he tracks and analyzes congressional legislation and Administration initiatives affecting clients in the agriculture, energy, and natural resources sectors.

Carlos advises clients on congressional advocacy strategies, including Farm Bill reauthorization, engagement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and Republican offices in Congress, and legislative development and introduction.

His portfolio also includes advocacy related to carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS), enhanced oil recovery (EOR), and bioenergy with carbon capture and storage (BECCS) policies.

Prior to joining Van Ness Feldman, Carlos served as a legal intern for the U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry under Chairman John Boozman (R-AR). He also gained experience through internships with Republican offices on Capitol Hill, a federal government affairs firm, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and an agricultural trade association.

Representative Experience

- Successfully spearheaded an advocacy strategy to introduce legislation to promote federal interagency coordination on the deployment of bioenergy with carbon capture and storage (BECCS) projects.
- Supported successful advocacy efforts to preserve and enhance the Section 45Q tax credit in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act of 2025.
- Supported successful advocacy efforts to include critical language in Appropriations bills.
- Facilitates introductions to political appointees in the Trump administration.
- Reports on congressional hearings and briefings for the firm's clients.
- Tracks and analyzes relevant legislation and regulations for the firm's clients.
- Summarizes key legislative provisions and government programs.

Government Service

U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition & Forestry

Legal Intern (2022)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Legal Extern (2020)

Office of U.S. Senator Pat Roberts

Legislative Intern (2018)

Office of U.S. Representative Roger Marshall

Legislative Intern (2018)

Alerts

- House of Representatives Approves 2026 Farm Bill , 05/01/2026
- House Agriculture Committee Advances 2026 Farm Bill, 03/06/2026
- Key Farm Bill Reauthorization Priorities Officially Laid on the Table, 06/20/2024