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Local Law Firm Meets with Gov. Crist

Seagrove Beach, Fla.— Senior litigators Dana Matthews and Patrick McCarthy of Matthews & Hawkins, P.A., met with Governor Charlie Crist on June 13, 2010 as representatives of Walton County Sheriff Michael A. Adkinson, Jr. and the Walton County Board of Commissioners. The three discussed the ongoing cleanup efforts aimed at containing the Deepwater Horizon oil spill as well as the current BP claims process.

“We want to make sure all business owners and workers in Florida who have been damaged by BP know of every available legal avenue to make a

claim for loss of income or other damages incurred as a result of the Deepwater Horizon spill,” said Dana Matthews. “As the Governor has made plainly aware in the last few months, Floridians will be made whole.”

Those who feel they have been damaged by BP can make a claim by calling 800-440-0858. If their claim is denied or not processed after 90 days of filing, they should consult with an attorney or file a claim with the U.S. Coast Guard’s National Pollution Funds Center (NPFC), which administers the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund, governed by the Oil Pollution Act (OPA) of 1990.



Patrick McCarthy (left) and Dana Matthews (right) greet Governor Charlie Crist at the Seagrove Villas Motel. June 13, 2010