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Torres Consulting and Law Group welcomes a former assistant attorney general, expands legal services



Jan. 11, 2012 – PHOENIX Jim Barton, a former Arizona assistant attorney general whose work was instrumental in drafting recent Attorney General opinions involving campaign finance, has joined Torres Consulting and Law Group.

Barton leads the firm's expansion into campaign finance, election, political, open meeting and a renewed focus on construction law. He will support municipal needs by offering services such as open meeting law training, and the needs of political organizations and candidates through campaign finance / Clean Elections workshops. Clients can look to Barton for representation before public bodies.

Barton is widely recognized as one of the state's premier legal minds, having litigated high-profile cases that fundamentally affected Arizona political law.

While working at the state, Barton represented the Secretary of State, Clean Elections and Independent Redistricting commissions. He also served as the state's election law attorney.

Barton's successes include the dismissal of a Maricopa County Superior Court lawsuit that challenged Senator Russell Pearce's recall.

Other prominent cases include the U.S. Supreme Court battle over Arizona's Clean Elections Law, during which Barton served as counsel of record for the state by developing briefs and preparing arguing counsel.

Barton has investigated allegations of campaign-finance-law violations and advised state agencies on laws regarding public records, open meetings, and conflicts of interest regarding public employees.

Now, he will serve TCLG's clients who wish to expand their roles in state politics. The firm is also accepting new clients who wish to promote their causes or candidacies on local, state or federal levels.