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Slater is a co-founder of The Advocacy Partners and a veteran within Florida's arena of politics and public policy. During his two decades in the industry, he has earned a reputation as a contemplative strategist as well as a tenacious and effective advocate. Slater has been recognized by *INFLUENCE* magazine as one of the most influential people in Florida politics and was recently named one of the top 10 lobbyists in Florida by The Florida Standard.

Most recently, he was appointed by U.S. Senator Marco Rubio to his Military Service Academy Nominating Commission and appointed by Governor Ron DeSantis to The Florida Prepaid College Board.

Previously, he served as personal assistant to Governor Bush and as deputy policy director on Bush's gubernatorial campaign. Following his time in the Governor's office he coordinated the only citizen's initiative campaign in Florida history to successfully repeal a provision from the state constitution.

Slater earned a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and Communications from the University of Iowa. He later earned a Master's Degree in Applied American Policy and Politics from Florida State University. He currently serves as an Adjunct professor in Florida State University's College of Social Sciences and Public Policy.

Slater was appointed by two Governors to the Board of Directors of the Florida Sports Foundation, serving as the Chair of the Florida Sports Charitable Foundation. Additionally, he has served as Chair of the Board of Directors for Tree House of Tallahassee, an emergency shelter where children who are victims of domestic abuse are given shelter and comfort. He has raised funds for the U.S. Central Command Memorial Fund and the Florida Hurricane Disaster Relief Fund.

He and his wife, Sara, met as undergraduates and now reside in Tallahassee. They are the proud parents of 3 children.