

## **COMMUNITY ADVOCACY NETWORK LAUNCHES FIRST MANAGEMENT SURVEY OF FLORIDA CONDOS, HOAS AND OTHER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS**

### ***CAN Association Management Survey Polls Residents' Attitudes, Insights and Recommendations on Management of Their Communities Statewide***

FT. LAUDERDALE, FL, Dec. 9, 2009 – The Community Advocacy Network (CAN, [www.canfl.com](http://www.canfl.com)), the leading statewide advocate for the best interests and welfare of millions of residents of community associations across the state of Florida, today announced the launch of the first-ever CAN “Association Management Survey,” polling the attitudes and insights of property owners and residents of condos, HOAS, mobile homes and other communities about community association management practice statewide.

CAN's Association Management Survey, now available online through Jan. 15, 2010 at <http://surveys.canfl.com>, is designed to assess property owner and resident attitudes and their first-hand experience of community association management practices in Florida in order to reach a better understanding of how professionally managed and self-managed communities are currently operating across the state.

“CAN is very pleased to give Florida's growing community association population this opportunity to provide constructive feedback and recommendations about management of their communities through the CAN Association Management Survey,” said Donna D. Berger, CAN Executive Director and Managing Partner of the Florida law firm of Katzman Garfinkel Rosenbaum. “Anecdotal evidence is too often the only source of information about the relative benefits of community association management. This latest CAN survey will for the first time provide real data to help professionally and self-managed associations as well as public policymakers in Tallahassee better understand and address the issues involved in the delivery of top-quality management services to these communities.”

At the dedicated CAN Association Management Survey website, <http://surveys.canfl.com>, individuals residing in Florida condos, HOAs, mobile homes, timeshare and other community associations can participate online through Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> by responding to a brief set of questions about management selection, practices, challenges and costs, plus the level of satisfaction with how their communities are managed.

Proper management of any community association being paramount to its long-term success, this latest CAN Survey considers the various options available to communities, probes how associations choose which type of management that is best for them and polls residents as to the duties and responsibilities that are most often and most effectively handled by managers.

The Community Advocacy Network was founded in 2007 by the Florida law firm of Katzman Garfinkel Rosenbaum to provide education, advocacy and outreach services to community associations statewide. CAN is “management agnostic” in its approach, working closely with communities throughout Florida managed by professional firms of all sizes, as well as communities that choose to be self-managed.

All responses to the CAN Association Management Survey are strictly confidential and only aggregate statistics and comments will be compiled and made available in a final summary report at the CAN website. More information about the Community Advocacy Network and the scope of its activities can be found online at: [www.canfl.com](http://www.canfl.com).

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**About Community Advocacy Network (CAN):**

The Community Advocacy Network (CAN) is the leading statewide advocacy network dedicated to promoting positive community association legislation while advising legislators to resist the urge to micromanage and over-regulate private residential communities. CAN works through its website, email alerts and tools such as the "Capitol Connection" email system to give association leaders and residents the information and resources they need to play a meaningful part in the legislative process before harmful bills are passed. Capitol Connection enables our members to contact their elected officials at every level of government with just the click of a button. For more information, visit [www.canfl.com](http://www.canfl.com) or call 954-315-0372.

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