

## BUSINESS BRIEFS



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**The Valdosta-Lowndes County Chamber's GAC receives a briefing from the U.S. Chamber regarding labor policy on Thursday. Pictured: Chamber President Myrna Ballard, GAC Chair Jeff Hanson (Southwest Georgia Bank), U.S. Chamber Executive Director for Labor Law Policy Marc Freedman, Megan Smith (SmithBarnas & Associates), Col. Clarence Parker (Retired Air Force) and Kevin McCraney (Georgia Power Company).**

### Valdosta-Lowndes Chamber visits D.C.

The Valdosta-Lowndes Chamber Government Affairs Council traveled to the U.S. Capitol this week to advocate for federal issues that impact the Valdosta-Lowndes County business community.

The group of six met with leaders

at the Pentagon on Wednesday to stress the importance of Moody Air Force Base to the Valdosta-Lowndes County community.

On Thursday, attendees met with representatives at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce for a briefing on small

business, labor, and energy and environment policies.

Attendees spent the remainder of the day meeting with U.S. Sens. Johnny Isakson and Saxby Chambliss, and Reps. Jack Kingston, Sanford Bishop and Austin Scott.