

## Municipal & Public Authority

Attorneys in our Municipal & Public Authority practice provide skilled legal counsel to governmental entities, including cities, towns and other municipalities, as well as various public trust authorities.

Examples of our current municipal and public authority clients and projects include: cities, municipalities, emergency medical services, criminal justice authorities, industrial authorities, public facilities authorities, airport authorities, water authorities, low income housing, hospitals, public works, governmental buildings and military housing.

We are experienced in representing public authorities and municipal governments, as well as trustees and underwriters, on a variety of projects and litigation including:

- Compliance with Open Meetings Act and Open Records Act
- Evaluation of loans, bonds and trust issues
- Preparation of formation documents for public authorities
- Labor & Employment matters
- Real property acquisitions, sales and leasing
- Public finance, contracting and procurement
- Land use regulations
- Water law, including defending developers and municipal utility authorities against claims asserted by rural water districts, as well as drafting wholesale water contracts
- Assistance with state and federal tax benefits/credits/exemptions
- Negotiating, drafting and reviewing contracts
- Construction
- Drafting policies and procedures
- Placement of bonds and notes
- Financing projects
- Coordination of governmental authorities and private participants in public finance, including administrative law implications
- Coordination of collateral security issues among governmental units, trustees and private participants
- Compliance issues for public financing under state and federal securities law