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Practice Areas

Government Services

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Dan focuses his practice on local and state government and public finance matters. In 2023, he was appointed by Indiana Governor Eric J. Holcomb as Commissioner for the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF). Dan also served as Chief of Staff and General Counsel for DLGF from 2017-2020. Previously, Dan served as Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles Chief Legal Officer and as Chief Counsel – Advisory & ADR Services Division for the Office of the Attorney General under former Attorney General Greg Zoeller.

His experience includes developing and implementing policy and strategic goals for property tax, local income tax, and statewide real and personal property assessment; overseeing the budget certification of nearly 2,500 political subdivisions annually; responsibility for the certification of all assessor-appraisers and tax representatives in Indiana and guiding efforts in IT application development, communications, legislation, litigation, data analysis, and customer service. Dan also has directed work relating to advisory opinions, administrative rules, public records, professional and occupational licensing boards representation, and administrative adjudication for state governmental clients including the Governor's Office, legislature, and executive agencies.

Dan was responsible for the review of 8,000 state contracts annually and oversaw state internal Alternative Dispute Resolution options for state governmental clients. He regularly presented to 400+ local government and state officials, vendors, and tax professionals on budgeting and assessment matters.

Prior to working for the State, Dan served as managing partner for a small law firm managing daily operations including in-process

litigation and served in multiple management roles for the City of Indianapolis under former Mayor Greg Ballard.

Dan is a former Captain in the United States Army and recipient of the Bronze Star Medal for actions taken during Operation Iraqi Freedom, and the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal for service in a hostile fire area.

Dan is a life-long Hoosier and currently resides in Northeast Indianapolis with his wife and daughter.

Other Info About Dan

Education

Oklahoma City University School of Law, J.D., 2008

Indiana University, Bloomington, B.A., Political Science, 2001

Courts

State of Indiana

State of Kansas

U.S. District Court – Southern District of Indiana

Professional Affiliations

Association of Indiana Counties, Member

Accelerate Indiana Municipalities, Member

Indiana County Commissioners Association, Member

Indiana Municipal Lawyers Association, Member

Indiana Township Association, Member

Indianapolis Veteran's Court, Former Judge Pro Tem

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), Life Member

Indianapolis Bar Association, Member

Indiana State Bar Association, Member

- Board of Governors, Member
- Leadership Development Academy II, Graduate 2013
- House of Delegates – Marion County Delegate
- Tax Council, Chair
- Finance Committee, Former Member

Supreme Court Commission on Indiana's Legal Future – Incentivizing Rural Practice, Member

Indiana Commission to Expand Access to Civil Legal Services (ATJ Commission) Technology Committee, former Board Member

FBI Citizens Academy (Indianapolis) – Graduate

Civic Activities

Humane Society of Indianapolis, Board of Directors, Former Member, 2015-2022 and Board Chair, 2021-2022

Geist Harbors Property Owners Association, Former Board Chair

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