



Municipal finance, government services and business law counselor
Jim Gutting guided clients through even the most difficult financings, sophisticated transaction structures and alternative financing vehicles. A testament to his dedication to those he served, Jim was committed to cultivating relationships that stand the test of time and working with clients to produce favorable outcomes.

Jim regularly acted as bond counsel on virtually all varieties of financing transactions for local government capital projects. His experience is extensive and includes financings for detention center, waste water treatment, public safety, water works, golf course and park improvements, and economic development projects. He advised on revenue bonds, lease transactions and general obligation bond issues.

In the area of government and government services counseling, Jim advised on public contracting and bidding, property tax regulation and regulatory compliance. With more than three decades of experience, Jim has also assisted in formulating and drafting statutes regarding public conflict-of-interest, purchasing and construction.

Prior to joining the firm, Jim worked for the Indiana State Board of Accounts as a field auditor from 1974 to 1981, as a deputy state examiner from 1981 to 1985, and as a state examiner from 1985 to 1989. Jim's hands-on experience working for the state board provided him with a multidimensional understanding of local government.

In addition, Jim's experience with various community and government commissions and committees is extensive. He served on the Commuter Rail Transportation Study Commission, Calumet Township Management Committee, Calumet Township Poor Relief Control Board, County Road and Bridge Law Revision Study Commission, Indiana Board for Depositories, Indiana Interstate Cooperation Commission, and the Government Efficiency Commission.

Notably, Jim is a certified public accountant (CPA).

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EDUCATION

Indiana State University, (B.S.), 1974

Indiana University-Indianapolis, (J.D.), 1985

BAR ADMISSIONS

Indiana

COURT ADMISSIONS

Indiana Supreme Court

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana

LANGUAGES

English

Professional and Community Involvement

Member, National Association of Bond Lawyers

Member, Indiana Municipal Lawyers' Association

Member, Indiana CPA Society Government Relations Committee

Former vice chairman, American Bar Association Government Practice Section Long Range Planning Committee

Former chairman, Indiana State Bar Association Government Practice Section

Former board member, Indiana Municipal Lawyers Association

Former member and chairman, Indiana CPA Society Utilities Committee

Former member, Indiana State Bar Association Budget Committee

Former member, Indiana State Bar Association Audit Committee

Former member, United Way Allocations Panels

Former board member, Child Advocates

Former member, Indiana Youth Links Development Committee, Indiana Sports Corporation

Board member, Benjamin Harrison YMCA Center Advisory Board

Board member, Bozeman Museum of Art National Advisory Council, Bozeman, Montana

Board member, American Overseas Memorial Day Association

Advisory board member, Eiteljorg Museum of American Indians and Western Art