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Practice

Public Finance

Taxation

Education

Education

New York University School of Law, LL.M., Taxation, 1991

Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Juris Doctor, cum laude, 1989

Arizona State University, Bachelor of Science, 1985

Admissions

Arizona, California, US District Court for District of Arizona, US Tax Court

Assisted By

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Brigitte Finley Green practices public finance and federal tax law. Prior to joining Engelman Berger, she practiced for over 20 years at large regional and national law firms, where she served primarily as bond counsel and underwriter's counsel on a wide variety of municipal bond and lease-purchase transactions for state and local governmental issuers. Before that, Brigitte spent two years as an attorney adviser with the Internal Revenue Service's Office of Chief Counsel in Washington, D.C., where she practiced exclusively in the tax-exempt bond area and her duties included preparing treasury regulations and IRS rulings.

Brigitte has worked on countless publicly offered and privately placed municipal bond transactions in Arizona for state agencies and universities, counties, cities, towns, school districts, special districts and conduit issuers. Over the course of her career, Brigitte has represented governmental issuers, investment banking firms, trustee banks, and conduit borrowers. A majority of her practice currently includes acting as bond and disclosure counsel on tax-exempt conduit financings for nonprofit charter schools. She also has experience in qualified private activity bond financing of multifamily housing facilities, manufacturing facilities, single family mortgages, student loans and facilities for 501(c)(3) organizations, such as hospitals, private universities and other charitable organizations.

Focus

Helping municipal and nonprofit borrowers navigate the complex federal tax rules to allow them to borrow capital at lower rates so they have more money available for their public and charitable purposes.

Clients

Nonprofit Organizations, Governmental Entities, Issuers, Trustee Banks and Investment Bankers

Industries

Public Finance, Tax-Exempt Bonds, Nonprofit Corporations, and Charter School Finance

Recognition

Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in the field of Public Finance Law, in Phoenix, AZ, since 2007

Named "Lawyer of the Year" by *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Public Finance Law in Phoenix, AZ, 2015

AV-Rated by Martindale Hubbell Peer-Review Ratings®



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Memberships and Affiliations

Madison Education Foundation, Board of Directors, 2019 – Present

National Association of Bond Lawyers, Member, 1994 – Present

State Bar of Arizona, Member, 1989 – Present

State Bar of California, Member, 1991 – Present

Professional Highlights

Served as bond counsel, underwriter's counsel, disclosure counsel, issuer's counsel, borrower's counsel and/or trustee's counsel on over 75 charter school revenue bond issues totaling over \$1.75 billion since 2006.

Served as bond counsel for three separate Arizona-based, multi-state charter school systems and was instrumental in developing obligated group structures and drafting related documentation for each to finance charter school facilities for (1) 26 schools on separate campuses located in Arizona, the District of Columbia, Louisiana and Texas, (2) 19 schools on 11 campuses located in Arizona, and (3) 17 schools on separate campuses in Arizona and Nevada.

Served as bond counsel or underwriter's counsel on numerous system revenue bond issues and certificates of participation transactions for Arizona's three state universities totaling over \$2.6 billion.

Served as bond counsel on the \$500 million of tax-exempt bonds issued to finance the initial 20-mile section of the Phoenix light rail system.