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INDUSTRIES

Public Finance

PRACTICES

Public Finance
Public Law

EDUCATION

JD, 1986, *with highest honors*, University of Iowa, Order of the Coif, Moot Court Board, Editor

BA, 1981, Knox College

ADMISSIONS

Texas 1986

Rick practices in the public law area. His focus is public finance, serving as bond counsel, bank counsel, disclosure counsel or underwriters' counsel in tax-exempt bond transactions for school districts, junior college districts, cities, counties, state agencies and special authorities throughout Texas. He has extensive experience with education, utility and infrastructure financings. Rick has also represented various local governments on special projects, including legislative and investment matters.

Rick is co-chair of the Firm's Public Law section.

PUBLICATIONS

- Federal Agencies Looking Closely at Municipal Bonds: What You Need to Know (November 18, 2011)
- MSRB Withdraws Pending Municipal Advisor Rule Proposals (September 14, 2011)
- Municipal Bond Offerings: MSRB Propose Rules of Conduct for Municipal Advisors (September 1, 2011)
- Legislative Alert: TWIA Finance Opportunities Under Senate Bill 3 (July 1, 2011)
- Municipal Bond Offerings: Proposed SEC Rule Impacts Appointed Board Members (January 7, 2011)
- Municipal Bond Offerings: SEC Charges State of New Jersey for Fraudulent Municipal Bond Offerings (August 19, 2010)
- Ratings Recalibrations and Material Event Notices (April 29, 2010)
- Inside the Minds™ "Public Finance Settlements and Negotiations - Breaking Down a Diverse Field" *Aspatore Books* (2006)

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- Fellow, American College of Bond Counsel
- Profiled as one of "Texas' Top Rated Lawyers" by *ALM* in Administrative Law (2012)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Public Finance Law (2006-2012)

BRIEFINGS, SEMINARS & SPEECHES

- "Overview of Public Law Legislation Passed During the 82nd Legislative Session," Estrada Hinojosa Annual Conference, Dallas, Texas (August 25, 2011)
- Role of Bond Counsel in a Texas City Financing (April 6, 2006)
- Made an industry presentation at the Texas Municipal Clerks Program (2006)

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AFFILIATIONS

- Houston Bar Association
- State Bar of Texas
- American Bar Association
- National Association of Bond Lawyers

PRESS RELEASES

- 54 Andrews Kurth Lawyers Named Best Lawyers in America 2012 (September 22, 2011)
- Andrews Kurth Announces 2011-2012 Policy Committee Election (August 2, 2011)
- 49 Andrews Kurth Lawyers Named Best Lawyers in America 2011 (August 16, 2010)
- Andrews Kurth Announces 2010-2011 Policy Committee Election (August 10, 2010)
- Andrews Kurth Announces 2009-2010 Policy Committee Election (August 31, 2009)
- 46 Andrews Kurth Lawyers Named Best Lawyers in America 2010 (August 10, 2009)
- Andrews & Kurth Adds Public Finance and Public Law Practice, 5 Partners Join Houston Office (March 13, 2001)