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About Brigitte

Brigitte Finley Green practices public finance and federal tax law. She practiced for over 30 years at small local, large regional and large 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.

A majority of Brigitte's practice currently includes acting as bond, disclosure and underwriter's 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.

In Arizona, Brigitte has worked on countless publicly offered and privately placed municipal bond transactions 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.

Early in her career, Brigitte spent two years as an attorney adviser with the Internal Revenue Service's Office of Chief Counsel in Washington DC, where she practiced exclusively in the tax-exempt bond area and her duties included preparing treasury regulations and IRS rulings.

Experience

- Served as bond counsel, underwriter's counsel, disclosure counsel, issuer's counsel, borrower's counsel and/or trustee's counsel on over 115 charter school revenue bond issues totaling over US\$2.9 billion since 2006.
- Served as bond counsel for three separate Arizona-based, multistate charter school systems and was instrumental in developing obligated group structures and drafting related documentation to finance charter school facilities for 26 schools on separate campuses located in Arizona, Washington DC, Louisiana and Texas; 21 schools on 13 campuses located in Arizona; and 24 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 US\$2.6 billion.
- Served as bond counsel on the US\$500 million of tax-exempt bonds issued to finance the initial 20-mile section of the Phoenix light rail system.

Credentials

Education

- New York University School of Law, LL.M., Taxation, 1991
- Arizona State University, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1989
- Arizona State University, B.S., 1985

Admissions

- California, 1991
- Arizona, 1989

Courts

- U.S. Dist. Ct., Dist. of Arizona
- U.S. Tax Court

Memberships & 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

Recognitions

- Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* in the field of Public Finance Law, in Phoenix, Arizona, since 2007
- Named Lawyer of the Year by *The Best Lawyers in America* for Public Finance Law in Phoenix, Arizona, 2015-2022
- Named one of AZ Big Media's Most Influential Women in Arizona, 2022
- Named one of AZ Big Media's Top 100 Lawyers in Arizona, 2020
- AV-Rated by Martindale Hubbell Peer-Review Ratings®

Expertise

Services

- Public & Infrastructure Finance

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