

## **Michael Dino**

## **Principal**

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## **About Michael**

Michael Dino is a government affairs expert and advocate, advising corporate and public sector clients on matters with local, state and federal governments. He supports clients in creating and successfully implementing strategies to achieve their objectives with public officials. Michael focuses primarily on issues management, network building and business development. He also works with government clients, counseling them on funding and partnering opportunities with federal agencies.

Michael, a Denver native, has over 30 years of experience working closely with public officials as a top advisor, client advocate, and trusted confidant.

As a client advocate, Michael has:

- Extensive policy experience with surface transportation, aviation, mobility, urban planning and development, higher education, water, information technology, health care, and taxation and fee collection.
- Drafted and guided legislation to passage on the local, state, and federal levels.
- Defeated legislation adverse to clients.
- Identified and assisted clients in successfully pursuing business opportunities with cities, counties, states, airports, utilities and transit agencies.
- Provided strategic advice on project approvals, rulemaking, and administrative authorizations.
- Responded to countless government procurements and grant requests at all levels of government.
- Represented clients before the White House, Congress and the U.S. Departments of Transportation, Interior, Justice, Defense, Agriculture, Education, including the Forest Service, Fish and Wildlife, Federal Transportation Administration, Federal Railroad Administration, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Communications Commission, and the Environmental Protection Administration.
- Specific expertise with the State of Colorado, City and County of Denver, and local governments within Colorado.

- Executive experience as CEO of Denver's 2008 Democratic National Convention Host Committee and executive director of Denver's Task Force for the 1997 Summit of the Eight (now the G-7).
- Advised Denver's Mayor Wellington Webb from 1991 to 1995 on the construction and opening of Denver International Airport and the redevelopment of Lowry Air Force Base.
- Far-reaching contacts with the U.S. Conference of Mayors, National League of Cities, Colorado Municipal League, Colorado Counties and the Metro (Denver) Mayors Caucus.
- Decades of experience in strategic communications and media relations.

Michael is a political campaign expert, having been a top executive and advisor in local, state and national campaigns. He was the campaign manager for Denver's first African American Mayor, Wellington E. Webb. He is also a political analyst with the local Denver CBS TV affiliate and Denver top news radio station, KOA.

## **Credentials**

#### **Education**

- University of ColoradoLeeds School of Business, M.B.A, 1988
- Regis University, B.A., magna cum laude, 1986

## **Memberships & Affiliations**

- Denver Bikesharing Current Board Chair
- Fund for a Healthier Colorado Current Board Chair
- Healthier Colorado Current Board Member and Past Chair
- Denver Metro YMCA 1997-2017, Hall of Fame Member, Board Chair and Member, Volunteer of the Year
- National Sports Center for the Disabled 2009-2018, Board Member
- March of Dimes 1991-2000, Board Member
- University of Colorado Assistive Technology 2003-2015, Advisory Board Member
- Colorado Nonprofit Loan Fund 2007-2014, Board Member
- Denver Planning Board 1999-2001
- Stapleton Redevelopment Board 2001-2003
- German Marshall Fellow 2001

# **Expertise**

#### **Services**

- Public Policy
- Public & Infrastructure Finance

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