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About Wesley

Wes Kerns focuses his practice on public finance transactions, serving as bond and disclosure counsel in general obligation and revenue financings for various issuers, including counties, cities, villages, townships, school districts and port authorities. He has also served as counsel to underwriters in such financings. Wes is experienced in public offerings, direct purchases, variable rate deals, special assessments, certificates of participation, lease-purchase financings and municipal infrastructure projects, including projects for airports and water, sewer and electrical systems. He also has experience with a variety of industrial development revenue bonds, water and sewer revenue bonds, conduit financings and 501(c)(3) bonds.

While attending law school, Wes received recognition for outstanding performance in civil procedure and criminal law. He also served as managing editor of the *Cleveland State Law Review*.

Wes is a member of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association.

Credentials

Education

- Cleveland State University, J.D., *summa cum laude*, Associate, Managing Editor, *Cleveland State Law Review*, 2011
- Cleveland State University, B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2007

Admissions

- Ohio, 2011

Memberships & Affiliations

- Member of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association
- Member of the Ohio State Bar Association

Recognitions

- Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2021 and 2023: Ones to Watch for Public Finance Law in Cleveland

Expertise

Services

- Public & Infrastructure Finance

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