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Robert J. Daddow

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Robert Daddow is a certified public accountant and spent 17 years(the last four as partner) with the firm of Ernst & Young through 1991. He worked exclusively in the government accounting, auditing and consulting area during his time with Ernst & Young and for the last four years was in charge of the governmental sector for Michigan.

County Executive L. Brooks Patterson recruited Mr. Daddow who began his public service in January 1993 at Oakland County as the Director of the Department of Management and Budget. During the mid-1990s, he spent 18 months as the Director of Information Technology as well. In early 2000, Mr. Daddow was promoted to deputy county executive for special projects.

Over the past 15 years, Mr. Daddow has supported County Executive Patterson, along with other members of the County team, in reforming Oakland County government through privatization, reorganizations, and the development of County policies to provide a financially strong and vibrant governmental unit with stable services to its residents.

Professional Activities:

- Certified Public Accountant
- Board of Scholars -- Mackinac Center for Public Policy

Oakland County Achievements:

LCSM Members

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- Director of the Department of Management and Budget (January 1993 to September 2000)
- Temporary Acting Director of the Department of Information Technology
- Resolution of a \$24 million operating short-fall in fiscal year 1993 and proposed 1994 operating budget
- Development of Community Corrections Program
- Community Mental Health transition from shared management services model to full management in 1993
- Involved in roughly a dozen areas of privatization, saving the county no less than \$2.5 million annually
- During the 1990s, participated in the county receiving awards for its annual financial report, budgeting processes, and popular report -one of only a few governmental entities in the State to receive all three awards
- Strategically designed, implemented and operated various major computer projects in Oakland County, including, but not limited to:
 - OAKNet (400-mile fiber optic network connecting the county with cities, villages and townships)
 - <u>CLEMIS</u>--the largest law enforcement consortium in the nation, involving roughly 140 police and fire departments in a six-county region
 - Fire Records Management System (28 fire departments in a consortium)
 - <u>Emergency Response and Preparedness Unit</u>/Homeland Security
 - <u>Geographic Information Systems</u> for county and cities, villages and townships.
 - eCommerce

Personal:

Daddow received his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Business Administration from Central Michigan University. He began his career in 1974 working at Ernst & Young until 1991, where he was the partner in charge of the southeastern Michigan government practice. He briefly also worked as an independent contractor for Gordon & Company, CPAs in 1992.

Amanda Van Dusen

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In addition to serving as bond counsel in financing transactions, Amanda focuses on such areas as elections, campaign finance compliance, state and federal tax issues, and general finance (budgets, revenue sources and cash flow). In serving her clients, Amanda has frequent contact with legislators and other state officials. She particularly enjoys developing new products to meet her clients' evolving needs. Amanda has also held numerous leadership positions with the firm and, as a member of number of nonprofits, is actively engaged in the arts, public policy and philanthropic efforts across Michigan.

EDUCATION

Law School J.D., 1979 cum laude University of Michigan Law SchoolUndergraduate School

B.A., 1975 cum laude Williams College Major: American Civilization

EXPERIENCE

Amanda's practice ranges from large, complex matters for large clients to smaller transactions for infrequent borrowers. She and her team developed an RFP for energy conservation improvements which enabled the client to choose the best combination of enhancements it was seeking. The RFP also included the form of contract. Ultimately, they structured a financing plan to pay for the improvements the client chose to implement. Using this approach was extremely efficient, less expensive, and at the same time maintained flexibility for the client.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- American Bar Association
- State Bar of Michigan, Past Member, Committee on Professional and Judicial Ethics Chairperson, 1986-88
- Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association
- National Association of Bond Lawyers
- Michigan Women in Finance, Past President; Board of Directors, 2003-2006
- Women Lawyers' Association

HONORS + AWARDS

- Corp! Magazine One of Michigan's Top Businesswomen 2004
- Crain's Detroit Business, One of the Detroit area's "100 Most Influential Women" 2002; Who's Who in Detroit Business-Law 2005
- Best Lawyers in America, Banking Law and Public Finance Law 2003-04-2009; Financial Institutions and Transactions and Public Finance Law 2005-06, 2006
- Michigan Super Lawyers, Top 50 Women Michigan 2007; Bonds/Government Finance 2006-2008
- Inforum Woman of Influence 2008

CIVIC, CULTURAL + SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

- Detroit Institute of Arts, Board Secretary, 2009; Executive Committee, March 1997-present; Board of Directors, 1994-present; Junior Council Advisory Board Member and Past Board Member
- Citizens' Research Council of Michigan, Board of Directors, 1993present; Trustee, 1998-present; Board Chair, 1999-2002
- W. E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research, Board of Trustees, 2001-present

- Council of Michigan Foundations, Board Secretary, 2008; Board of Trustees, 2001-present
- Hudson-Webber Foundation, Board of Trustees, 2001-present
- Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, Member, 2005present
- Leslative Commission on Statutory Mandates, Co-chair, 2008present
- Ferndale Board of Education, Member, 1993-94; Finance Committee, 1989-present; Bond Issue Planning Committee, 1995
- Detroit Regional Chamber, Participant, Leadership Detroit V
- City of Detroit, Mayor's Committee, 21st Century, 1993
- Gleaner's Community Food Bank of Greater Detroit, Past Board Member, 1985-91
- Michigan Women's Foundation, Past Trustee, 1998-2001; Grantmaking Committee, 1995-98

PUBLICATIONS

"The BIG Squeeze," Hot Points, Spring 2006

Author of chapter on "Special Assessments and User Charges," in Local Government Law and Practice in Michigan, published jointly by the Michigan Municipal League and the Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys, 2000

SPEECHES

Frequent presenter on school finance topics and governmental powers. Panelist, "Government Obligations," National Association of Bond Lawyers Bond Attorneys Workshop, 2006, 2007

Dennis R. Pollard

Thrun Law Firm 38505 Woodward, Suite 2300 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304-5690 (248) 988-5690



Dennis Pollard graduated from the University of Detroit (B.S. Finance, 1965) and from the University of Detroit School of Law (J.D., 1968). He is a member of the American Bar Association, State Bar of Michigan, and the Oakland County Bar Association.

Mr. Pollard's primary area of practice includes public school law with a particular emphasis in litigation and consulting/transactional capacities. He handled the first special education case ever to reach the Michigan Court of Appeals on behalf of the Birmingham and Lamphere School Districts. He represented 84 school districts in suits against the State of Michigan for underfunding school districts for the costs of special educational services, which resulted in those school districts recovering over \$210 million for that underfunding, the largest judgment ever affirmed by the Michigan Supreme Court, and also resulting in the State paying over \$1 billion to the other school districts in the State for the same underfunding. Mr. Pollard has represented school districts before

the Michigan Supreme Court, on leave granted, on more than 20 occasions; served as trial and appellate counsel in well over 100 cases on behalf of school districts over the last 32 years; and has advised school district clients on a full range of legal issues affecting public schools.

Louis H. Schimmel

Municipal Financial Consultants, Inc. 2835 Sylvan Shores Drive Waterford, MI 48328 (248) 682-3438



In February 2001, Louis Schimmel retired as the Executive Director of the Municipal Advisory Council of Michigan, a statistical clearing house for investment bankers located throughout the United States who underwrite and/or invest in Michigan municipal bond issues. While employed at the Municipal Advisory Council of Michigan, the Wayne County Michigan Circuit Court appointed Mr. Schimmel Receiver for the debt-ridden City of Ecorse on December 3, 1986. He served as the City's Receiver for 3 years and 9 months during which period he completely eliminated the City's \$6,000,000 deficit by negotiating unique union contracts and by privatizing nearly all of the services provided by the City.

In November 2000, the State of Michigan again asked Schimmel to bail out a financially troubled city – this time the City of Hamtramck. During his 5 years as the State appointed Emergency Financial Manager for Hamtramck, he again successfully bailed the city out of its financial problems by privatizing services, resolving numerous long standing legal matters, and by streamlining city government operations.

In 1999, Schimmel was appointed and served on the Michigan Commission on Public Pension and Retiree Health Benefits. In 1992, Schimmel was appointed a member of the Michigan Public--Private Partnership Commission. The Commission submitted an extensive report to the Governor for improving service delivery and increasing efficiency in State government. In 1990, he received the "Outstanding Service and Leadership in the Public Sector" award from the Michigan State Chamber of Commerce and in 2005 he was awarded the Mackinac Center for Public Policy's "Lives, Fortunes and Sacred Honor Award" for his successful and energetic management of two financially distressed Michigan cities.

Mr. Schimmel has a vast background in municipal finance, has served on numerous boards and committees and is a frequent speaker on municipal finance matters. He has authored several articles and trade publications and continually advises state and local officials on the marketing of municipal bond issues. He is recognized in the municipal bond industry as an authority on the creditworthiness of Michigan municipal debt issues. He also has been featured in several newspaper and magazine articles including the Wall Street Journal for his success in managing financially troubled municipalities.

In the past, Mr. Schimmel served on the Waterford, Michigan School Board for eight years--two years as board president. He is a past president of the Bond Club of Detroit. He also served on the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the Pontiac State Bank from 1972 to 1988 and was instrumental in the sale of Pontiac State Bank to the then National Bank of Detroit.

Currently, Mr. Schimmel is president of Municipal Financial Consultants, Inc, a municipal bond consulting firm. He is a graduate of Michigan State University and resides in Waterford Township, Michigan.

J. Dallas Winegarden, Jr.

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J. Dallas Winegarden, Jr., born 1944, has practiced in Flint, Michigan, since 1969, having initially served as a Genesee County chief assistant prosecuting attorney.

In 1971, Winegarden subsequently joined his father, Jerome Dallas Winegarden, Sr. (Harvard Law '38) in the general practice of law in Flint, MI, handling criminal defense, domestic relations, business law and personal injury cases. Currently, a practicing trial lawyer, he specialized in all types of major personal injury and wrongful death claims. He has been lead or co-counsel on many victims rights matters, including major medical negligence, trucking injuries, wrongful death and many other liability matters. He has been involved in many large personal injury cases and has a national and international reputation in the areas of catastrophic injuries, school safety and children's safety cases. He is a certified Circuit Court Mediator/Facilitator. Mr. Winegarden is an adjunct professor of law at Michigan State University/Detroit College of Law teaching a trial advocacy and practice law course at the college. Winegarden earned a Bachelor's Degree in political science from Michigan State University in 1966 and a Juris Doctor from Michigan State University/Detroit College of Law in 1969. Mr. Winegarden has served at the request of President Clinton at the National Gun Summit meeting and later at the National Gun Coalition's Million Moms March in Washington D.C. He has become an internationally known legal advocate on the issues of gun safety, school safety, and children's safety, and all types of personal injury claims. He has recently been appointed by the Senate and House of the State of Michigan to the Commission of Statutory Mandates. Presently he is on the Board of Directors of the Michigan Association for Justice, President of the Flint Classroom Support Fund, Chairman of the Genesee County Bar Association's Membership and Marketing Committee, he has been appointed mediator of the Circuit Court of the 7th Judicial District, and is on the Board for the Sloan Museum.

He serves as an arbitrator and facilitator as certified throughout the State of Michigan.

Practice Areas: All types of personal injury claims; Medical Negligence; Auto Negligence; Falling Injuries; Truck Accidents; No-Fault Insurance Claims; Premise Liability; Birth Trauma; Dog Bites; Motorcycle Accidents; Brain Injuries; Product Liability; Construction Accidents; Children Injuries; School Law; Business Law; Business Torts; Municipal Law.

Courts Admitted to practice: 1969, Michigan; 1970, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan; 1999, U.S. Supreme Court; 2004, U.S. Court

of Appeals, 6th Circuit.

Member: State Bar of Michigan; Genesee County Bar Association; American Association for Justice; Flint Trial Lawyers Association (Vice President, 1997-1999; President, 1999-2001); Michigan Association for Justice (Member, Executive Board, 1996-to present); Commissioner of Statutory Mandates for the State of Michigan (2008-2011); President and Member of the Board of Trustees, Flint Classroom Support Fund; Member of the Board of Trustees, Sloan Auto Museum.

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