

Joseph E. Turner, Jr.

Of Counsel



Joseph Turner assists clients in lender-related transactions and public pension law. He represents businesses and government entities in real estate disputes, commercial transactions, municipal finance matters, and school law issues. As a former commercial bank manager, Joseph offers invaluable institutional lending experience relative to various complex finance-related transactions.

Joseph helps his clients navigate complex investment transactions permitted under the Michigan Public Employees Retirement System Investment Act (PERSIA) Public Act 314 of 1965, MCL 38.as amended (commonly referred to as, "Act 314"). He has negotiated and drafted documentation ranging from commercial loans to multi-layered financings, sophisticated credit enhancement financing, and letters of credit. Joseph also negotiates investment management agreements with public pension fund investment managers. He has substantial experience in negotiating and drafting alternative side letters. Also, Joseph served as lead special counsel and general counsel to a major municipal pension fund.

In addition, Joseph has served as local counsel on behalf of major national corporations in multi-state financings. He has previously served as co-bond counsel on local municipal financings.

As a former police officer, Joseph has utilized his vast law enforcement related knowledge in criminal defense areas. Joseph has experience representing clients appearing before federal grand juries and federal authorities for formal interviews.

While attending law school, Joseph served as a Michigan Supreme Judicial Intern for the then-Honorable Justice Dennis W. Archer.

He is a former member of the Board of Directors of the Development Corporation of Wayne County (DCWC) and the Board of Directors of Metropolitan Affairs Coalition (MAC).

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State Bar Licenses

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