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Areas of Practice

Real Estate | Construction | Corporate Counseling

Marc S. Porter is Counsel in the Real Estate Practice Group of Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP where he practices real estate and construction law as well as corporate counseling.

Mr. Porter's expertise includes drafting and negotiating real estate and construction contracts and counseling clients on land use, zoning and development issues. Marc integrates his broad experience of having represented public, private and not-for-profit corporations in complex commercial and industrial land acquisitions and sales with his extensive experience representing clients in arbitration and litigation involving construction disputes, public bidding, zoning, easements and environmental issues.

With more than 43 years of practice, his real estate experience is complemented by his extensive municipal law experience, having represented the villages of Morton Grove and Franklin Park as well as the Morton Grove and Niles Park Districts. He has represented leading private construction and development companies, including Walsh Construction Company of Illinois, William A. Randolph, Inc., Housing Authority of Cook County, Rossi Contractors, Inc., Somerset Partners and the Penta Development Group.

He is recognized as one of the Top Lawyers by Midwest Real Estate News (2008) as well as by his peers as one of the leading commercial real estate attorneys in Illinois.

Mr. Porter obtained his B.S.B.A. from Creighton University and his J.D. from Northern Illinois University.

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Experience

- Represents Chicago's largest construction companies in construction litigation, project workouts and transactions.
- Represents Fortune 500 companies in numerous real estate, zoning matters and business sales.
- Represents many charitable and educational not-for-profit corporations and foundations, including the CMT Research Foundation, Good for Grades, NFP, Riverside School, NFP, and Woodlawn Foundation.
- Serves in advisory capacity to the Midtown Educational Foundation and the Chicago Leadership Forum.
- Represented Kehe Distributors, LLC, a nationwide specialty food distributor, in general corporate, real estate and employment matters for more than 25 years.

Admissions

Illinois

Wisconsin (inactive)

Memberships

Illinois State Bar Association, Chicago Bar Association and Lake County Bar Association