

Project Finance

Hawkins has a well-established leadership position in bond financed projects whose debt service is payable from user-based revenues, service, output and other contracts, or lease rentals.

For over forty years, our attorneys have represented public agencies, governments, developers, private and not-for-profit entities, investment banks or lenders in complex project finance transactions throughout the country. Our project finance team works closely with the firm's real estate and public-private partnership groups to best advise our clients and implement a comprehensive project plan while evaluating legal structures and related risks.

Our expertise helps clients and project participants structure the financing and the collateral package to achieve optimal receptivity in the financial markets. We have been involved in virtually all types of tax-advantaged financings and debt instruments and hedges. Our project finance experience ranges from solid waste disposal facilities, to electricity generation and transmission facilities and cogeneration facilities, to office buildings such as the reconstruction of the World Trade Center Towers, to shopping malls, and to numerous other project revenue based enterprises.

Representative Project Finance Engagements

- Representation of major investment banks in tax-exempt financings and refinancings for the reconstruction of the World Trade Center Towers 3, 4 and 7.
- Representation of a state finance conduit issuer in a tax-exempt bond financing of a multi-phase waste disposal reduction disposal project, while maximizing recovery of useable materials and production of high value fuel products.
- Representation of a local development agency in a large real estate and economic development project combining a new construction mixed-use residential condominium with highly desirable retailers in an under-served neighborhood.
- Representation of underwriters in a tax-exempt refinancing of a major Times Square office building, combining a tax-exempt bond issue with collateralized mortgage-backed financing.
- Representation of a private placement purchaser of taxable debt to finance the construction of military housing units to be effected in a joint venture between the developer and the United States Defense Department, to be repaid from federal housing subsidies.
- Representation of a prominent shopping mall development company in the tax-exempt refinancing of the sixth largest mall in the nation.
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Practices

- Bank Counsel
- Borrower's Counsel
- Public-Private Partnerships
- Real Estate Counsel

Industries

- Economic Development
- Power and Renewable Energy
- Solid Waste