

L. James Martin, Esquire

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Public Service

Deputy County Attorney

La Paz County, Parker, Arizona
February 2003 – Present

Interim Director, Community Development Department
Supervisor, Child Support Enforcement, Code Enforcement

Prepare pleadings on all child support matters, prepare budget, supervise departmental personnel, make court appearances as required; supervise community development department including, but not limited to presentations to planning commission and representation of the department before the Board of Supervisors, supervise building and zoning code enforcement.

Law Director

City of Streetsboro, Streetsboro, Ohio
September 1997 – 2002

Attend all Council and Committee meetings; prepare legislation; provide legal opinions; give advice as requested by Mayor, Members of Council and Department Heads; represent the City in State and Federal Courts and all administrative matters. Attend City Board and Commission meetings as requested by the Chairperson of the Board or Commission. Labor negotiations and labor matters w/ FOP, AFSCME, IAFF. Code enforcement litigation initiated by the City. Experience in both enterprise zone agreements and tax increment financing agreements.

Solicitor

Village of Silver Lake, Silver Lake, Ohio
1992 – 1993

Charter Village representation, prepare legislation, representation in State and federal litigation including, but not limited to, Fair Housing matters.

Law Director

City of Stow, Stow, Ohio
1976-1991

Charter City representation, prepared 200+ ordinances and resolutions per year, advised all elected and appointed officials as well as all boards and commissions. Litigation defense on all uninsured claims including, but not limited to § 1983 matters; prosecution and supervision of prosecution

of all criminal misdemeanors. Extensive employment related administrative hearings, litigation and appeals.

Private Practice

Martin Law Offices

P.O. Box 9300, Akron, Ohio 44305
1972 – Present

Continuation of private practice concentrating on all matters of real estate, including zoning, subdivision, development, etc. Business formation, business agreements, small mergers and acquisitions, business litigation, plaintiff's personal injury litigation; Chapter VII bankruptcy, oil and gas, bank representation involving collections, foreclosures, and work outs. Other general practice including misdemeanor criminal representation, and some domestic relations.

Teaching

The University of Akron

Government and Business, Master's Program, College of Business,
Finance Department, "The Legal Environment of Business"
1977 through 2002

Cleveland State University

Real Estate Law, Graduate Engineers, College of Engineering
1997 through 2002

Akron University at Wayne College

Real Estate Principles and Practice, Undergraduate Students

Phoenix College

Introduction to Law, Paralegal Program, Designed Paralegal Training
Program, Junior College

Education

The University of Akron
B.S. Psychology, GPA 3.25

The University of Akron
J.D. Law, GPA 3.24

Chadwick University
MBA Business, GPA 3.2

Career Activities

- University of Akron Law Review
- Clerk, Honorable James D. Cameron, Chief Justice, Arizona Supreme Court
 - National Lawyer's Association – Member
 - Chairman, Municipal and Local Government Section
 - International Municipal Lawyer's Association – Member
 - Ohio Municipal Attorney's Association – Member
 - Federal Bar Association – Member
 - Ohio Bar Association – Member
 - Akron Bar Association – Member
 - Portage County Bar Association – Member
 - Arizona Bar Association – Member
 - Second Lt. USAF Reserve, Retired
 - Licensed Ohio Real Estate Broker
 - Licensed Ohio Mortgage Broker
 - Who's Who in Business and Executives, 1993-1994
 - Who's Who in American Law 2d ed.
 - Who's Who in Ohio, 1974
- Admission in *Pro Hac Vice* – Pennsylvania (federal district) and 2d Circuit Indiana and Florida State Courts – wrongful death
- **Fifty-Eight** Published Opinions, Arizona and Ohio State and Federal Second and Sixth Circuit Courts

References furnished upon request