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Mr. Trotter is a partner in the Vorys Akron office and a member of the corporate and finance group. He practices in municipal finance and represents issuers and underwriters of tax-exempt bonds. He also assists public bodies in connection with their debt issues and assists private health-care providers, manufacturers, and developers in publicly assisted debt issues.

Career highlights include:

- Serving as bond counsel for a state university on a \$500 million project that altered the campus of the university and included two new classroom buildings, a new student union, a student recreation center, a football stadium, new dorms and parking decks
- Serving as bond counsel for a public library's \$80 million project that transformed the main library and replaced and renovated branch libraries throughout the city
- Serving as bond counsel for a city zoo's \$18 million project, transforming the zoo from a children's zoo to a major zoological park

Mr. Trotter is a member of the National Association of Bond Lawyers, the American Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association, the Akron Bar Association, and the Ohio Government Finance Officers Association.

Mr. Trotter has spoken at seminars and classes sponsored by a variety of organizations and universities, including Kent State University, the University of Akron Law School, the Ohio Department of Development, the National Association of Bond Lawyers, and the Ohio School Boards Association. His topics have included public finance, federal taxation of public securities, industrial development bonds, second-lien financing, school district finance, and tax-increment financing.

Practice Areas

Commercial, Finance, and Real Estate

Corporate and Business Organizations

Government Relations

Taxation

Industries

Government

Education

Tulane University Law School,

J.D., 1975, Order of the Coif

Tulane Law Review, 1973–1975

Ohio University, A.B., 1971

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Mr. Trotter received his J.D. from Tulane University Law School where he received the Alumni Medal and was a member of the Order of the Coif and the *Tulane Law Review*. He received his A.B. from Ohio University.

Publications

Client Alert: Ohio Department of Development Issues Reallocation Guidelines for Recovery Zone Bonds

Professional and Community Activities

Weathervane Community Playhouse, Board of Trustees, President, 1996-2000
Akron Bar Association, Local Government Law Committee, Chair, 1988-1992
Ohio State Bar Association, Local Government Law Committee, Chair, 1986-1990
Greater Akron Chamber Taxation and Legislation Committee, Chair, 1984-1988

Honors and Awards

The Best Lawyers in America, Public Finance Law, 2011-2012
The Best Lawyers in America, Commercial Litigation, 2010
The Best Lawyers in America, Banking and Finance Law, 2012
The Best Lawyers in America, Banking and Financial Institutions and Transactions Law, 1995-2011
Ohio Super Lawyers, Bonds/Government Finance, 2008-2012
Inside Business, Northeastern Ohio's Leading Lawyers, 2008-2010

Events

13th Annual Local Government Officials' Conference
You've Got Tax-Exempt Bonds! Now What?: Tax-Exempt Bond Compliance for Health Care Entities

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Bar and Court Admissions

Ohio