

David A. Suess

Profile

David Suess is a partner in the Tax and Business Services Groups. He is licensed to practice law in both Indiana and Illinois. Mr. Suess assists clients with a variety of state and local tax issues, including property taxation, gaming taxation and other tax controversies. He regularly litigates complex property tax assessment and valuation appeals in administrative and court settings in Indiana and Illinois, and has handled similar cases in other forums, including federal bankruptcy court. He graduated with top honors from Indiana University School of Law - Bloomington in 1997. He practiced law, for a year, in Illinois before accepting a clerkship with the Honorable Ronald T.Y. Moon, Chief Justice of the Hawaii Supreme Court. He earned a bachelor of arts degree in East Asian Languages and Civilizations from the University of Chicago in 1991 and, prior to law school, worked as a translator-interpreter for a manufacturer in Lafayette, Indiana.

Education

Indiana University School of Law - Bloomington (J.D. *magna cum laude*, 1997)
University of Chicago (B.A. with general honors, 1991)

Honors / Awards

Named one of Indianapolis' "Forty Under 40" by *Indianapolis Business Journal* (February 2005); Stanley K. Lacy Executive Leadership Series Class XXVII; Notes and Comments editor, *Indiana Law Journal*; Order of the Coif; Academic Fellowship at Indiana University School of Law (1994-97); C.J.S. Awards in Torts, International Law and Legislation; Public Interest Law Fellowship (summer 1995); Japanese Ministry of Education Scholarship (1989-90).

Appearances / Publications

Speaker: "Hot Topics In Property Tax Litigation" (Indiana Property Tax Institute, April 2010); "Hot Topics in Indiana Property Tax Law" (Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum, March 2009); "Developments in Property Taxation" (Indiana Continuing Legal Education Foundation conference, March 2008); Institute for Real Estate Management (January 2008); Indiana Commercial Real Estate Conference (November 2008); adjunct professor at the Indiana University School of Law - Indianapolis (Spring 2007); "Handling Expert Witnesses in Tax Appeals" (International Association of Assessing Officers Conference, December 2005 and October 2006); "Illinois Property Tax Update" (Illinois Tax Representatives Association, 2005); "Indiana Tax Conference" (Indiana Chamber of Commerce, 2002).

Author: Editor of the *Taxing Times for Indiana* e-Newsletter (published by the ISBA); "Property Tax Questions" (*Indiana Business Magazine*, 2005); "Paternalism Versus Pugnacity: The Right To Counsel In Japan and The United States" (*Indiana Law Journal*).

Appointments / Memberships

Member: Member of the Council of the Taxation Section of the Indiana State Bar Association; member of the Health Foundation of Greater Indianapolis Board of Directors (treasurer); chairman of the Midtown Community Mental Health Center Board of Directors; chairman emeritus of the Indiana AIDS Fund; ACLU of Indiana Lawyer's Council (member, Steering Committee); Indianapolis, Indiana State and Illinois State Bar Associations.

Past Memberships: Athenaeum Foundation (member, Board of Directors, 2001-03); Indianapolis Public Schools (Yellow Ribbon Task Force (2002), Historic Preservation Task Force (2003); Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce IPS Facilities Strategy Task Force (chairman, Legislative Subcommittee, 2003-04).



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