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OVERVIEW

Cynthia Weed is senior of counsel in the firm's Finance practice. She practices in the public law and finance areas of the firm with a focus on structured finance and leasing.

Since 1978, she has worked with states, state agencies, public universities, colleges, cities, towns, counties, school districts, and special districts (ports, water, sewer, school and fire protection) in Washington, Alaska, Oregon, Montana, California, Pennsylvania, Florida, and Idaho on municipal financings which include general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, special assessment district financings, tax anticipation obligations, hospital debt, short-term obligations, and industrial development bonds. She has worked on a majority of the private activity bonds issued in Washington since they were authorized by statute in 1981. More recently, she works with public agencies and private clients in public and private partnerships, as conduit financing and also utilizing 63-20 financing.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Cynthia has been a member of the National Association of Bond Lawyers since 1980, has been a member of its Board of Directors and also acted as chairperson of the Bond Attorneys Workshop for the year 2000. She is a fellow in the American College of Bond Counsel; she is the current immediate past president of the College and also is a board member. She also has served as co-chair of the College's membership selection committee. She has been named to the *Best Lawyers in America* list since 2007 and was named Seattle's Public Finance Lawyer of the Year for 2012.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *Chambers USA* for Public Finance in Washington, 2025-2026
- Recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Seattle, WA
  - Securitization and Structured Finance Law, 2024-2027
  - Public Finance Law, 2007-2027

- Recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*® as "Lawyer of the Year" for Public Finance Law in Seattle, WA, 2012

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, Winter Seminar, *American College of Bond Counsel*, Palm Beach, Florida, 17 January 2021
- Industrial Development Levies and Opportunity Zones, Washington Public Ports Association - Spring Meeting, 16 May 2019

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law, 1978 *with distinction*
- B.B.A., University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1969 *with senior high honors, Phi Beta Kappa*

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Washington

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 12 May 2022 , Permanent Dial-In Option Makes TEFRA Hearings Easier Than Ever – Forever
- 29 May 2020, COVID-19: Voluntary COVID-19 Disclosures - Time to Share Your Approach With the Marketplace?
- 29 August 2019, Moody's Upgrades Rating of the Washington State School Bond Guarantee Program
- 4 February 2019, Securities and Exchange Commission Amends and Updates Rule 15c2-12

NEWS & EVENTS

- 4 June 2026, K&L Gates Receives Nearly 235 Firm, Individual Rankings in 2026 *Chambers USA* Guide
- 18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 19 August 2021, Nearly 300 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2022 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Corporate and Acquisition Finance
- Debt Capital Markets

- Energy Finance
- Land Use, Planning, and Zoning
- Real Estate Finance
- Restructuring and Insolvency
- Securitization and Structured Finance

INDUSTRIES

- Consumer Goods and Services
- Energy
- Higher Education Institutions
- Oil and Gas