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OVERVIEW

Mark-David has more than 35 years of experience in municipal finance, taxation, and project finance law. Serving primarily Florida issuers, he assists clients with a range of public financings and has extensive knowledge of interest rate swaps, options, credit enhancement, commercial paper programs, forward contracts, and other derivative products. Mark-David's client base includes banks, underwriters, governmental entities, and mutual funds.

Representing a wide range of public entities, including the counties of Broward, Miami-Dade, Palm Beach, and governmental bodies from various states, Mark-David has played a crucial role in numerous high-profile transactions. This includes serving as bond counsel for significant deals like the $347,605,000 Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County Refunding Revenue Bond and the $546,120,000 South Florida Water Management District Certificates of Participation, both of which received notable accolades.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Served as bond counsel for the $347,605,000 Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County Refunding Revenue Bond, Series 2019, which was a crossover refunding that enabled the Authority to convert the interest rate on the Bond to a tax-exempt rate in 2021 and was the recipient of *The Bond Buyer*'s 2019 Southeast Region Deal of the Year Award.
- Represented Broward, Miami-Dade, Palm Beach, and Hillsborough Counties, the South Florida Water Management District, Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County, Lakeland, Lake Park, Lake Worth, Punta Gorda, Coral Springs, and the Town of Palm Beach in Florida public financings.
- Represented the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Shelby County (Memphis), Tennessee, County of DuPage, Illinois, Craven County, North Carolina, Rhode Island Health and Educational Building Corporation, St. Louis, Missouri, and Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as bond counsel and tax counsel.
- Advised the Comptroller of the State of Tennessee in developing the state's "Guidelines for Interest Rate and Forward Purchase Agreements," significantly impacting state financial practices.
- Served as bond counsel for $546,120,000 South Florida Water Management District Certificates of Participation, the largest and first environmental restoration COP deal in Florida, earning the national Deal of the Year Award from *The Bond Buyer*.
- Served as bond counsel to Palm Beach County, Florida, in connection with its $200,000,000 General Obligation

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Bond (Workforce and Affordable Housing Units) Program, which provides financial support for the development of workforce and affordable housing.

- Obtained a private letter ruling from the Internal Revenue Service that permitted a major university to retroactively change its project financing accounting method.

AWARDS

- *Chambers USA*: Banking & Finance: Public Finance (2016-2026)
- *Best Lawyers in America*®: Public Finance Law (2025-2027)
- *The Bond Buyer*: Southeast Region Deal of the Year (2019)
- *The Bond Buyer*: National Deal of the Year (2007)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Bond Counsel
- Public Finance
- Tax: Public Finance

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Affordable Housing + Community Development
- Bond Counsel
- Educational Institutions
- Finance + Banking
- Public Finance
- Tax: Public Finance

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member, National Association of Bond Lawyers

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Exploration and production unit, Mobil Corporation
- Intern, corporate audit unit, Philip Morris Corporation

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- New York University School of Law, LL.M., 1986
- University of Miami School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1985
- Lafayette College, A.B., 1982

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Florida