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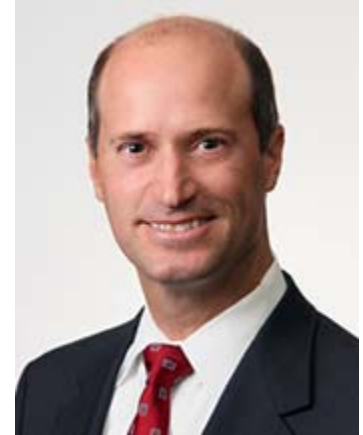
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Ken Florey concentrates his practice representing public and private clients, including municipalities, school districts, community colleges, private owners, contractors and design professionals regarding land use, municipal law, construction, tax, finance and litigation.



Ken was the Chair of the DuPage County Bar Association's Local Government Committee for 2001-2002. He served as a Trustee for the Village of Lombard for eight years. He was appointed Special Assistant Attorney General to prosecute and defend construction litigation claims on behalf of the Illinois Capital Development Board (1996-98, 2000 to present). Ken is also a member of the IASBO Service Associate Advisory Committee (2015-2018).

Awards

- Illinois Leading Lawyer, Construction Law; Governmental, Municipal, Lobbying & Administrative Law; Land Use, Zoning & Condemnation Law; and School Law
- Illinois Association of School Business Officials, Above and Beyond Award (2012)
- Illinois Institute for Local Government Law, Annual Litigation Award (February 2009).

Recent Publications

- "Settlement Crumbles; Appeals Court Declines to Put Pieces Back Together," *Chicago Daily Law Bulletin*, May 4, 2015
- "On Public Display: Advertising in Schools," *UPDATE Magazine*, IASBO (2015)
- "Point of View: Selecting Contractors and Bidders," *UPDATE Magazine*, IASBO (2011)
- Contributing author, "School Property and Environmental Issues," *ILLINOIS SCHOOL LAW*, IICLE (2010 and 2012)

Recent Presentations

- *Ethical Requirements for Elected Officials and The Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act*, ICCTA 2015 Legal, Legislative, & Ethics Update, Schaumburg, IL (November 2015)
- *Common Construction Contracts Problems and Solutions*, Midwest Facility Masters Conference, Wisconsin Dells, WI (November 2015)
- *Assembling Your Team: Finding the Right Players*, Midwest Facility Masters Conference, Wisconsin Dells, WI (November 2015)

- *Solutions to Top Bidding and Construction Problems*, Midwest Facility Masters Conference, Wisconsin Dells, WI (November 2015)
- *Solutions to Top Bidding and Construction Problems*, Association of School Business Officials International 2015 Annual Meeting and Expo, Grapevine, TX (October 2015)
- *Ethical Requirements for Elected Officials*, Illinois Association of Park Districts Boot Camp, Gurnee & Carol Stream, IL (June 2015)
- *Critical Decisions: Selecting the Project Team*, Construction Law Workshop, HalfMoon Education, Inc., Wheaton, IL (March 2015)
- *Bidding Part I: Legal Requirements and Basic Concepts*, Construction Law Workshop, HalfMoon Education, Inc., Wheaton, IL (March 2015)
- *Bidding Part II: Common Bidding Problems and Solutions*, Construction Law Workshop, HalfMoon Education, Inc., Wheaton, IL (March 2015)
- *Ethics Requirements for Local Government Officers and Elected Officials*, DuPage County Bar Association, Wheaton, IL (January 7, 2015)
- *Top Bidding and Construction Problems and Solutions*, IASBO's Design & Construction 101: Building a Foundation for Success Seminar, Downers Grove, IL (December 3, 2014)
- *Laws, Codes and Ordinances (and zoning issues)*, IASBO's Design & Construction 101: Building a Foundation for Success Seminar, Downers Grove, IL (December 3, 2014)
- *Selecting Your Construction Project Team*, Midwest Facility Masters Conference, Wisconsin Dells, WI (November 2014)
- *Top Bidding and Construction Problems and Solutions*, Midwest Facility Masters Conference, Wisconsin Dells, WI (November 2014)
- *School District Bidding Requirements*, LaSalle County ROE, Ottawa, IL (October 2014)
- *New Trier Township Tax Consortium 2014 Assessment Appeal Update*, Cook County ROE, Winnetka, IL (October 2014)
- *Community College Trustee Elections: Petitions, Procedure & Ethics*, ICCTA Seminar, Bloomingdale, IL (September 2014)
- *Top Ten Bidding and Construction Problems and Solutions*, 2014 IASBO Annual Convention, Schaumburg, IL (May 2014)
- *Advertising and Sponsorships: What the Law Dictates*, 2014 IASBO Annual Convention, Schaumburg, IL (May 2014)
- *Essential Components of an Effective Bid and Boiler Plate*, 2014 IASBO Annual Convention, Schaumburg, IL (May 2014)
- *Benefits of Shared Services and Cooperative Bidding*, 2014 IASBO Annual Convention, Schaumburg, IL (May 2014)
- *Change Orders and Public Owners*, Change Orders in Illinois, Chicago, IL (May 2014)
- *Assessment Appeals: Why Your School District Should Get Involved*, LaSalle County Superintendents Meeting, Ottawa, IL (April 2014)
- *Ethical Requirements for Elected Officials*, Illinois Association of Park Districts Boot Camp, Schaumburg, IL (June 2013)
- *The Evolving Illinois Freedom of Information Act: Amendments, Compliance and Enforcement*, Illinois Community College Trustees Association, Chicago, IL (June 2013)
- *Buyer Beware: Avoiding Bidding Pitfalls*, 2013 Illinois Association of School Business Officials 62nd Annual Convention, Schaumburg, IL (May 2013)
- *Advertising and Sponsorships: How Far Does the Law Allow Schools to Go?*, Illinois Association of School Business Officials 62nd Annual Convention, Schaumburg, IL (May 2013)
- *2013 Construction Case Law Update*, National Business Institute, Oak Brook, IL (April 2013)
- *Litigation: Allegations, Defenses, And Proving Your Case*, National Business Institute, Oak Brook, IL

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- *Legal/Legislative Panel*, 2013 IAPD/IPRA Soaring to New Heights Conference, Chicago, IL (January 2013)
- *Construction Case Law Update*, 2012 Joint Annual IASB/IASA/IASBO Conference, Chicago, IL (November 2012)
- *Illinois Community College Trustees Association Legal Update*, Illinois Community College Trustees Association, Chicago, IL (November 2012)
- *Roadmap for Construction and Renovation Projects: What Questions Do I Need to Answer?* IASBO's Educational Facility Design, Renovation & Construction Conference, Downers Grove, IL (November 2012)
- *How to Recognize and Avoid Legal Problems With Your Construction Projects*, Wisconsin Association of School Business Officials' Midwest Facility Masters Conference, Wisconsin Dells, WI (October 2012)
- *Buyer Beware: Legal Aspects of Purchasing*, IASBO Purchasing Committee, Downers Grove, IL (October 2012)
- *Land Use Law: Current Issues in Subdivision, Annexation and Zoning*, National Business Institute, Oak Brook, IL (August 2012)
- *How To Avoid Pitfalls When You Must Select The Lowest Bidder*, 2012 IASBO Annual Convention, Peoria, IL (May 2012)
- *Purchasing and Bidding*, 2012 IASBO Annual Convention, Peoria, IL (May 2012)
- *Joint Purchasing for Community Colleges*, ICCSPC Meeting, College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, IL (May 2011)
- *Legal Aspects of Bidding*, 2011 IASBO Annual Convention (May 2011)
- *Legal Aspects of Construction*, 2011 IASBO Annual Convention (May 2011)
- *Illinois Community College Trustees Association Legal Update*, Illinois Community College Trustees Association, Double Tree Hotel Lisle, Lisle, IL (November 2010)
- *Public Bidding from the Basics to the Advanced*, IASBO Doubletree Guest Suites & Conference Center, Downers Grove, IL (October 2010)
- *Constitutional Challenges to Zoning Ordinances*, DuPage County Bar Association's Local Government Committee MCLE program (October 2010)
- *School Districts – Risk Management Update*, IASBO Risk Management Litigation Update, Double Tree Hotel Chicago, Arlington Heights, IL (September 2008)
- *How to Win in Construction Project Disputes*, 2008 IASB/IASA/IASBO Joint Annual Conference, Hyatt Regency Chicago, Chicago, IL (November 2008)
- *Illinois Community College Trustees Association Legal Update*, Illinois Community College Trustees Association, Double Tree Hotel Chicago Magnificent Mile, Chicago, IL (November 2008)
- *The Incurable Contractor and Construction Delivery Systems*, Wisconsin Association of School Business Officials' Midwest Facility Masters Conference, Wyndham Milwaukee Airport Hotel & Convention Center, Milwaukee, WI (October 2008)
- *Standard of Review for Zoning Decisions*, Illinois Municipal League's 95th Annual Conference, Hilton Chicago, Chicago, IL (September 2008)
- *Practical Guide to Zoning and Land Use Law*, National Business Institute, Oak Brook, IL (June 2008)
- *Urban Development and Redevelopment in Illinois*, Lorman Education Services, Chicago, IL (May 2008)
- *Creating a Legal Risk Management Plan: The Pearl City Appellate Court Decision*, Spring 2008 ICCCFD Conference, Utica, IL (April 2008)
- *Land Use Law: Current Issues in Subdivision, Annexation and Zoning*, National Business Institute, Oak Brook, IL (December 2007)

- *Purchasing, Bidding & Contract Management; School Boards and the Law*, 15th Annual Educational Support Professionals' Conference, Naperville, IL (September 2007)
- *Practical Guide to Zoning and Land Use Law*, National Business Institute, Naperville, IL (June 2007)
- *Ethics and Immunities for Elected Officials*, Elected Officials Seminar, Hinsdale, IL (June 2007)
- *Using the Illinois School Code to Research School Law*, IASBO 14th Annual Educational Support Professionals' Conference, DeKalb, IL (April 2007)
- *Outsourcing: Should I? How Do I Begin?*, IASBO 55th Annual Conference, St. Charles, IL (May 2006)
- *Bidding from the Basics to Advanced Problems and Solutions*, Facility Purchasing Seminar, IASBO, Downers Grove, IL (March 2006)
- *Legal and Legislative Update*, Illinois Community College Trustees Association, Rosemont, IL (March 2006)

Education

- J.D., DePaul University College of Law, 1992; Managing Editor, *DePaul Journal of Art and Entertainment Law* (1991-92)
- B.A., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1989

Admitted to Practice

- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- Supreme Court of Illinois

Practice Areas

- Commercial Law
- Construction Law
- Education Law
- Energy Law
- Litigation
- Municipal Law
- Public Finance & Taxation
- Real Estate Development
- Zoning, Planning & Land Use