

## Jeffrey S. Aronoff

### SERVICE AREAS

Governments + Nonprofits

- Bolt Reviews
- Economic Development
- Elections + Campaign Finance
- Financings
  - Airports
  - Governmental Buildings
  - Industrial + Commercial Facilities
  - Schools
  - Water + Sewer Utilities
- Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreements
- Legislative Drafting
- Public Law - Powers, Open Meetings + FOIA
- Public/Private Partnerships
- Special Assessments + User Fees
- Sustainable Government Initiative

### EDUCATION

- Wayne State University Law School, J.D.
- University of Michigan, Ford School of Public Policy, M.P.P.
- Michigan State University, B.A.

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Michigan



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Jeffrey S. Aronoff specializes in all types of public finance, including municipal infrastructure finance, economic development finance and school finance. He also regularly advises governmental clients on general matters including economic development initiatives, public-private collaboration, legislative drafting, and the establishment and ongoing operation of intergovernmental and regional authorities.

*"My job is not simply to spot and address the issues my clients have not identified, but also to understand and consider the ones they have."*

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### EXPERIENCE

Jeff guided a regional public authority through the process of taking over the role of a predecessor authority that had been dissolved. He helped the client navigate a difficult maze of limitations and requirements imposed by various federal and state regulatory agencies, which had the potential to choke off all funds to the client, threatening its survival. In the end, the client assumed all the powers and resources it needed to move forward on important policy objectives.

*"I helped the client identify and leverage allies while minimizing the impact of adversaries throughout its months-long transition process. I worked with the client through a daunting process that was full of esoteric regulatory requirements, state law issues and difficult questions of policy and pragmatism."*

### REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Aerotropolis Legislation and Intergovernmental Agreement

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Represented a Michigan County in both formulating legislation and crafting the public-private intergovernmental agreement between two counties, four cities, and three townships to establish an aerotropolis aimed at attracting logistics, transportation and manufacturing firms to transportation hubs and other regional facilities.

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- American Bar Association, State and Local Government Section
- State Bar of Michigan, Public Corporation Law Section
- Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, Board of Directors  
2010-present

### HONORS + AWARDS

- Wayne Law Review, Editor in Chief, 2003-04
- Michigan Super Lawyers, Bonds/Government Finance, Rising Star  
2009, 2010, 2011
- Marshall Memorial Fellowship 2011

### CIVIC, CULTURAL + SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

- Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit, Young Adult Division,  
Board of Directors, 2010-present
- Jewish Community Relations Council, Board of Directors,  
2008-present
- New Detroit: Emerging Leaders in Race Relations, 2007-2008
- Detroit Institute of Arts, Founders' Junior Council, Board of  
Directors, 2006-2008
- Wayne State University Law Alumni Association, Board of  
Directors, 2006-2011

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- University of Michigan-Dearborn, Institute for Local Government,  
Instructor

### PUBLICATIONS

"Legislative Mystery: Did the Michigan Legislature Leave an Entire Class of Teachers Without a Seat at the Bargaining Table in the Charter School Era?" (Note), 48 Wayne Law Review 1485 (2003)

"Legal Briefs," (Editor), Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys, 2007-08

## **SPEECHES**

"Intergovernmental Cooperation," Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys Local Government Academy, March 24, 2011

"Learning About Opportunities in the Detroit Region Aerotropolis," Wayne County EDGE (Panelist), Crain's Detroit Business, October 21, 2009

"The Credit Crunch Hits the Munis: The Current Landscape and Hazards that Lie Ahead," Wayne County Treasurers Association, June 18, 2008

"Municipal Finance Fundamentals," Michigan Municipal League Elected Officials Academy, October 2007

"Prevailing Wage Law in Michigan," Lorman Education Services, July 2006

## **NEWS**

- Miller Canfield Lawyer Jeff Aronoff Selected for Prestigious Marshall Memorial Fellowship
- Miller Canfield Elects Seven New Principals
- Ready for Takeoff: Michigan Legislature Passes "Next Michigan Development" Tax Incentive for Detroit Region Aerotropolis

## **ALERTS**

- School Board Elections
- Governor Snyder's first "Special Message" focuses on reforms for local government