

2023 FALL SEMINAR

Speaker Bios

PAUL DAVIS

Paul joined Applegate & Thorne-Thomsen in 2003. He concentrates his practice in the area of affordable housing development and finance, representing both developers and equity investors. He has experience with various federal, state and local loan and grant programs that provide financing for the rehabilitation and construction of affordable housing, including the syndication of federal low-income housing tax credits and state donation tax credits, tax increment financing, and multi-tiered private and governmental loan and grant programs, including HOPE VI and other mixed-finance programs.

CHRIS HOLLAND

Chris has been in-house for Naperville for six years, primarily representing the city as a prosecutor in the DuPage Circuit Court. He is in court three days per week covering Naperville's four court calls (DUI, traffic, and ordinance violations). Prior to Naperville, Chris served as an assistant public defender in DuPage County for approximately nine years. Chris also previously served as the Chair of the DCBA Local Government Law Section.

JASON QUERCIAGROSSA

As the Deputy Corporation Counsel, Jason serves as the Town's lead municipal prosecutor and is the primary attorney on most of the Town's litigation matters. He also assists in a wide range of other legal matters for the Town and is the Legal Staff assigned to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Prior to joining the Legal Department in January 2018, Jason was an Associate Attorney with the law firm of Aplington, Kaufman, McClintock, Steele & Barry, Ltd. There, he handled a wide range of civil matters, including divorce and child custody cases, collection litigation, and appeals. While in law school, Jason interned for Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.'s Legal Department where he assisted with contract drafting and negotiation.

Jason is a graduate of the University of Illinois and the University of San Diego School of Law. He is admitted to practice law in both Illinois and California.

JOE SCALLY, MA, JD

Joe Scally, MA, JD is Clinical Director at the Lawyers' Assistance Program. Joe is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and the University of Illinois Law School. He has practiced in state and federal courts in Illinois for many years. Joe also has an M.A. in clinical psychology from DePaul University. He interned at the Institute for Juvenile Research and did post graduate study in the Family Systems Program at UIC. He has been on staff at the Community Mental Health Center at DePaul, the Parenting Assessment Team at UIC, the ASSETS Clinic at University of Chicago, and St. Raymond's Psychological Services. He served for six years as clinical co-director of the Clinical Evaluation and Services Initiative, a joint project

of Northwestern University Law School and the U. of Chicago Hospital based in the Juvenile Court of Cook County funded by the MacArthur Foundation. Joe has taught Mental Health Law, Ethics, and Assessment at the Chicago School of Professional Psychology. He worked as national Director of Training and Program Evaluation, and continues to be a trainer, for the Positive Coaching Alliance, a not-for-profit instituted at Stanford University which brings state of the art sports psychology practices to athletic programs across the country.

AMY WAKS

Amy Waks has served as an Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of Decatur since 2004, focusing on prosecuting ordinance violations in Circuit and Administrative Courts, including property maintenance violations, labor relations, licensing, and day-to-day operations. Prior to that, she was an Assistant State's Attorney for Macon County. She is a member of the Decatur Bar Association, Illinois State Bar Association, Illinois Local Government Lawyers Association, Illinois Municipal League, and International Municipal Lawyers Association.