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Julie Partain focuses on public debt offerings and business transactions involving cities, counties, school districts, universities, economic development corporations and water districts. She serves as bond counsel, underwriter's counsel and disclosure counsel in financing transactions for all types of public entities. Julie also works on financings and debt issuances for special districts, including special legislatively created districts. In addition, she advises clients on their economic development initiatives and incentives for public/private projects.

Julie has worked on and represented clients in expedited declaratory judgment actions in District court in response to legal challenges to clients' proposed bond issuances or to validate new and innovative financing techniques. Her broad experience also includes master lease financings and general counsel for local government investment pools. Additionally, Julie has worked on various complex projects, including large venue projects for a major sports stadium, hotel and convention center financings, entertainment venue financing and development and the creation and financing of Public Improvement Districts, which includes refinancing and multi-phase assessment projects and financings.

Prior to entering private practice, Julie served as a judicial clerk to the Honorable Nathan L. Hecht of the Texas Supreme Court.

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Experience

City of Dallas, Texas

- bond counsel in connection with \$36.120 million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2025A; \$32.920 million Equipment Acquisition Contractual Obligations, Series 2024A; \$321.180 million General

Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2024C; \$197.850 million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2024B; \$371.935 million General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2024B; \$48.970 million General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2024A; \$213.680 million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2024A; \$43.360 million Senior Lien Special Tax Revenue Bonds (Fair Park Venue Project), Series 2023; \$170.600 million Senior Lien Special Tax Revenue Bonds (Kay Bailey Hutchinson Center), Series 2023; \$55.185 million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023; and \$381.135 million General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2023A

City of Irving, Texas

- bond counsel to issuer in connection with \$12.860 million Combination Tax & Revenue Certificate of Obligation, Series 2024; \$121.050 million General Obligation Bonds, Series 2024; \$26.590 million Waterworks & Sewer System New Lien Revenue Bonds, Series 2024; \$38.700 million Combination Tax & Surplus Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023; \$20.855 million Combination Tax & Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023; \$4.265 million Tax Notes, Series 2023; and \$32.090 million Waterworks and Sewer System New Lien Revenue Improvement Bonds, Series 2023
- development and financing of a large entertainment center venue project and convention center hotel project

City of Mesquite, Texas

- bond counsel to issuer in connection with \$5.435 million Special Assessment Revenue Bonds (Solterra Public Improvement District Improvement Area C-3 Project), Series 2024; \$34.090 million Combination Tax and Limited Surplus Revenue Certificate of Obligation, Series 2024; \$15.445 million General Obligation Bonds, Series 2024; \$17.810 million Waterworks & Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2024; \$56.485 million Tax and Limited Surplus Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023; \$31,045 million Waterworks & Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2023; and \$4.939 million Special Assessment Revenue Bonds (Heartland Town Center Public Improvement District Phase #2 Specific Improvement Project), Series 2023

Town of Addison, Texas

- bond counsel to issuer in connection with \$10.015 million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2024; \$4.355 million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023; \$4.865 million General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023; \$12.495 million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2022; \$10.140 million General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022; and \$8.670 million General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022

City of Aubrey, Texas

- bond counsel to issuer in connection with \$30.727 million Special Assessment Revenue Bonds (Duck Point Public Improvement District), Series 2025; \$50.095 million Combination Tax & Revenue Certificate of Obligation, Series 2024A; \$3.853 million Special Assessment Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2024 (Jackson Ridge Public Improvement District Phase #3 Major Improvement Assessments); \$23.239 million Special Assessment Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2024 (Jackson Ridge Public Improvement District Phase #1 & Phase #2 Assessments); \$5.525 million Combination Tax & Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2024; \$14.541 million Special Assessment Revenue Bonds (Keenland Public Improvement District), Series 2023; and \$8.170 million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023

Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport

- disclosure counsel in connection with \$723.55 million Joint Revenue Refunding & Improvement Bonds, Series 2024 (Non-AMT); \$215.275 million Joint Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2023A; \$691.305 million Joint Revenue Refunding & Improvement Bonds, Series 2023B (Non-AMT); and \$241.270 million Joint Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2023C (AMT)

Richardson Independent School District

- bond counsel to issuer in connection with \$123.895 million Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2024; \$45.900 million Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2024; \$193.930 million Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2022A; and \$192.025 million Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2022

Frenship Independent School District

- bond counsel to issuer in connection with \$144.275 million Unlimited Tax School Building and Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 and \$135.380 million Unlimited Tax School Building and Refunding Bonds, Series 2021A

Canyon Independent School District

- bond counsel to issuer in connection with \$8.475 million Unlimited Tax Refunding Taxable Bonds, Series 2022

City of Lewisville, Texas

- bond counsel, which included annexation and dissolution issues, in a \$128 million general obligation refunding bond transaction

Cedar Bayou Navigation District

- bond counsel in connection with the issuance of \$28.010 million Special Assessment Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2020

City of Arlington, Texas

- bond counsel to issuer in connection with \$321.717 million Rangers Ballpark Complex Admissions and Parking Taxes Revenue Bonds Taxable, Series 2020; \$266.08 million of Senior Lien Special Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2018A; \$28.25 million of Subordinate Lien Special Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2018B; \$171.095 million of Subordinate Lien Special Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2018C; \$55.87 million of Permanent Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series 2019; \$6.77 million of Municipal Drainage Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2019; \$26.15 million of Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2019A; and \$15.74 million of Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2019B

Viridian Municipal Management District

- bond counsel in connection with \$18.185 million Unlimited Tax Road Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series 2024; \$20.180 million Unlimited Tax Utility Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series 2024; \$34.100 million Unlimited Tax Road Improvement Bonds, Series 2023; and \$20.905 million Unlimited Tax Utility Improvement Bonds, Series 2023

City of Grapevine, Texas

- bond counsel in connection with \$34.545 million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2024; \$13.510 million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2022; \$44.945 million General Obligation Bonds, Taxable Series 2021; and \$10.220 million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021

Town of Trophy Club

- bond counsel to issuer in connection with more than \$26 million of Special Assessment Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015

Credentials

Education

- The University of Texas School of Law, J.D., 2001, *with honors*
- University of North Texas, M.P.A., 1995
- The University of Texas at Austin, B.A., 1992, *with honors*

Bar Admissions

- Texas

Affiliations

- American Bar Association

- National Bond Lawyers Association
- Dallas Bar Association
- Dallas Association of Young Lawyers

Recognition

Chambers USA

- Texas Public Finance, 2024 – 2025

BL Rankings

- *Best Lawyers*, Economic Development Law, 2022 – 2025
- *Best Lawyers*, Public Finance Law, 2022 – 2025

Thomson Reuters

- *Texas Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, 2006, 2011

Texas Supreme Court

- The Honorable Nathan L. Hecht, Judicial Clerk

Publications & Speeches

- "Government Financing 101," TexasBarCLE, July 30, 2025.
- "A Bottoms-Up Infrastructure Strategy for American Renewal," International Municipal Lawyers Association *Municipal Lawyer*, March 2022.