

Municipal/Public Bodies Law

Local governments in New Jersey take many forms. In addition to the various historic forms of municipal government, the Faulkner Act offers additional options. As a consequence, numerous variations are possible, each with unique structural and legal requirements. In addition to such forms of municipal government, each municipality has separate boards and agencies, not to mention county government and all of the associated boards and agencies.

Post Polak's attorneys have a broad range of experience representing nearly every level and type of governing body. Several of our attorneys have earned the designation of Diplomat, conferred by the New Jersey Institute of Local Government Attorneys. Our attorneys have represented the largest city in the state, suburban boroughs and even municipalities with special charters. In addition, our attorneys have represented Planning Boards, Zoning Boards of Adjustment, Historic Preservation Commissions, Housing Authorities, Redevelopment Agencies, Rent Control Boards, Special Improvement Districts, Municipal and County Utility Authorities, County Improvement Authorities, Counties and even the State of New Jersey.

The range of services our firm provides to local governments is equally broad. Our attorneys are experienced in municipal contracting and have substantial experience negotiating agreements for the procurement of potable water and the operation and maintenance of municipal utility systems. In addition, the firm can handle any real estate matter for local governments, whether it involves leasing, purchase, condemnation, foreclosure or redevelopment. The firm's land use experience makes it especially qualified to represent Planning Boards, Zoning Boards of Adjustment and Historic Preservation Commissions. Our litigators have successfully represented local governments in both the state and federal courts, and police departments and county prosecutors in disciplinary matters and the defense of civil rights claims. Post Polak has qualified attorneys for every local governmental need.