

## Cynthia M. Weed

#### **Partner**

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#### **OVERVIEW**

Cynthia Weed is a partner in the firm's Finance practice. She practices in the public law and finance areas of the firm with a focus on structured finance and leasing.

Since 1978, she has worked with states, state agencies, public universities, colleges, cities, towns, counties, school districts and special districts (ports, water, sewer, school and fire protection) in Washington, Alaska, Oregon, Montana, California, Pennsylvania, Florida and Idaho on municipal financings which include general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, special assessment district financings, tax anticipation obligations, hospital debt, short-term obligations and industrial development bonds. She has worked on a majority of the private activity bonds issued in Washington since they were authorized by statute in 1981. More recently, she works with public agencies and private clients in public/private partnerships, as conduit financing and also utilizing 63-20 financing.

#### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Cynthia has been a member of the National Association of Bond Lawyers since 1980, has been a member of its Board of Directors and also acted as chairperson of the Bond Attorneys Workshop for the year 2000. She is a fellow in the American College of Bond Counsel; she is the current immediate past president of the College and also is a board member. She also has served as co-chair of the College's membership selection committee. She has been named to the *Best Lawyers in America* list since 2007 and was named Seattle's Public Finance Lawyer of the Year for 2012.

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Seattle
  - Securitization and Structured Finance Law, 2024
  - Public Finance Law, 2007-2024
- Named "Lawyer of the Year" by The Best Lawyers in America® for Public Finance Law in Seattle, 2012

#### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, Winter Seminar, American College of Bond Counsel, Palm Beach, Florida, 17 January 2021
- Industrial Development Levies and Opportunity Zones, Washington Public Ports Association Spring Meeting, 16 May 2019

#### **EDUCATION**

- J.D., University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law, 1978 with distinction
- B.B.A., University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1969 with senior high honors, Phi Beta Kappa

#### **ADMISSIONS**

Bar of Washington

#### THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 12 May 2022, Permanent Dial-In Option Makes TEFRA Hearings Easier Than Ever Forever
- 29 May 2020, COVID-19: Voluntary COVID-19 Disclosures Time to Share Your Approach With the Marketplace?
- 29 August 2019, Moody's Upgrades Rating of the Washington State School Bond Guarantee Program
- 4 February 2019, Securities and Exchange Commission Amends and Updates Rule 15c2-12

#### **NEWS & EVENTS**

- 18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 19 August 2021, Nearly 300 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2022 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch

#### **AREAS OF FOCUS**

- Corporate and Acquisition Finance
- **Debt Capital Markets**
- **Energy Finance**
- Land Use, Planning, and Zoning
- Oil and Gas

# **K&L GATES**

- Public Finance
- Real Estate Finance
- Restructuring and Insolvency
- Securitization and Structured Finance

### **INDUSTRIES**

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