

James Hernandez

Practice Areas

- Public Finance

Honors

- Recognized as a Texas Rising Star, *Super Lawyers* by Thomson Reuters (published in *Texas Monthly*) (2005-2008)

Education

- J.D., Columbia Law School, 1995
- B.A., The University of Texas at Austin, 1991

Memberships

- Center for Houston's Future – Fall 2012
- KIPPAcademy, Board of Trustees, 2009-present
- KIPPAcademy, Board of Directors, 2002-2008
- American College of Bond Counsels, 2017

Senior Counsel

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James practices in the public law area and also has experience in corporate and securities and real estate law.

His focus in the public law area primarily has been serving as bond counsel, disclosure counsel and underwriters' counsel on a variety of public finance transactions for cities, counties and special authorities throughout Texas.

James has extensive experience in the area of transportation development and financing, including representation advising the Harris County Toll Road Authority on project development and financing matters, as well as operations, contracting and legislative matters. James has also worked in various capacities on transactions for several other transportation issuers, including the Brazoria County Toll Road Authority, the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority, Houston METRO, the Houston Airport System, City of Dallas/Love Field, the San Antonio Airport System, the Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority and the North Texas Tollway Authority. He has also been involved in a number of public/private development projects, including the development and financing of sports and convention facilities, among others.

Speeches and Programs

- *The Bond Buyer's* 22nd Annual Texas Public Finance Conference, Austin, Texas (February 13, 2018)
- "Overview of Public Law Legislation Passed During the 85th Legislative Session," Estrada Hinojosa Annual Compliance Conference, Dallas, Texas (August 24, 2017)
- Complying with Texas Ethics Commission Interested Party Contract Rules (February 2, 2016)
- "Overview of Public Law Legislation Passed During the 82nd Legislative Session," Estrada Hinojosa Annual Compliance Conference, Dallas, Texas (August 25, 2011)

Admissions

- Texas