



## Donald J. Palmer

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### PRACTICE AREAS:

School & Municipal Law  
Real Estate Law

Labor & Employment

### Education

Undergrad: Indiana University of  
Pennsylvania, B.S., 1983,  
Political Science

Law School: Duquesne University  
School of Law, J.D., 1986

### Courts Admitted

Supreme Court of Pennsylvania  
United States District Court for the  
Western District of Pennsylvania

United States Court of Appeals for the  
Third Circuit

### Professional Affiliations

Allegheny County Bar Association:  
Municipal and School Solicitors  
Section, Real Estate Section

Butler County Bar Association  
Pennsylvania Bar Association

Much of Don's practice includes the representation of public school districts and municipalities with regard to a multitude of legal issues. Formerly an associate counsel with the Pennsylvania Department of Education, he is highly experienced and well-known in all areas of education law, particularly general school law, labor matters, special education and student rights. Don currently serves as the appointed Solicitor for the Chartiers Valley, Pine-Richland and Quaker Valley School Districts. He also provides legal services to the Hampton Township School District.

In addition to his school and municipal practice, Don represents property owners, lenders, purchasers, developers, landlords and tenants in a wide array of real estate transactions. These transactions include sales and acquisitions, title insurance and closings, lending and loan documentation, real estate development, zoning and land use, construction, leasing and lease enforcement. He has also represented zoning hearing boards and landowners in every aspect of zoning hearing board proceedings, including variances, special exceptions, substantive and procedural challenges to the validity of ordinances, appeals from zoning officer determinations, and court appeals.

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