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As a result of his experience with virtually all types of governmental entities and diverse finance structures, Barron Wallace's public finance practice is both unique and broad. His clients benefit from his knowledge of traditional and highly structured project finance conduit transactions involving state agencies, cities, school districts, airports, higher education, economic development, private and primary secondary schools, regional mobility authorities, special districts and not-for-profit organizations focusing on parks and cultural arts. His multifaceted practice spans traditional municipal finance, tax increment finance, urban redevelopment, as well as general public law.

Barron's leadership, insight and in-depth understanding is beneficial in providing bond, disclosure and tax counsel to issuers, underwriters, trustees, third-party credit providers, and borrowers. He serves as bond and disclosure counsel for cities, counties, state agencies, and special districts, including local government corporations. In addition, Barron represents national and regional investment banking firms as underwriter's counsel and also advises conduit bond issuers, tax increment reinvestment zones, local government corporations and certain special districts as general counsel or special counsel. As a by-product of his many years of experience and innovations in public finance, he also focuses on urban infrastructure and transportation development and public/private partnerships.

Civic leadership and support of his community play an important role in Barron's career and personal objectives. He serves as Chairman on the Houston Parks Board and on the board of directors of the Discovery Green-Downtown Park Corporation and the Houston Social Justice Fund.

Industries

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Practices

[Infrastructure Development](#)

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Credentials

Education

- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, J.D., 1989
- Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut, B.A., 1986

Bar Admissions

- Texas

Affiliations

- Houston Parks Board, Board of Directors; Chairman
- Discovery Green-Downtown Park Corporation, Board of Directors
- Houston Social Justice Fund, Board of Directors, Vice President
- National Association of Bond Lawyers
- Texas Bar Foundation
- American Leadership Forum, 2006 Class XXIV
- Center for Houston's Future, 2001 Class II
- Texas Lyceum, Member
- American College of Bond Counsel, Fellow; Board Member
- Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, 2015-2021
- St. John's School, 2014-2020

Chambers USA

- Texas Public Finance, 2024

BL Rankings

- *Best Lawyers*, Public Finance Law, 2006 – 2025

Publications & Speeches

- "Understanding the Roles of Disclosure Counsel and Underwriter's Counsel," *The Institute: Virtual 2021*, National Association of Bond Lawyers, March 3-5, 2021.
- "Roles and Responsibilities Series – Disclosure Counsel," *The Institute*, National Association of Bond Lawyers, March 19-20, 2020.
- "The Life of Disclosure Counsel," *The Institute*, National Association of Bond Lawyers, March 7-8, 2019.

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- "Hot Topics in Securities Law," *The Workshop*, National Association of Bond Lawyers, September 11-13, 2019.
- "Spotlight on Public Finance: Rule 15c2-12 Amendments," Bracewell Lunch and Learn, January 9, 2019.
- "Opportunity Zones: The Promise," *The Bond Buyer's Texas Public Finance Conference*, February 12, 2019.
- "Hurricane Harvey – After the Storm, Disclosure Considerations for Bond Issuers," *The Bond Buyer*, September 7, 2017.
- "Representing the Infrequent Issuer," *National Association of Bond Lawyers Tax and Securities Law Institute*, March 2017.
- *Underwriters Counsel Roundtable*, Chicago, IL, 2013 - 2015.