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Mike Busada is an experienced public finance and economic development attorney representing local governments, school districts, 501(c)(3)s, and major companies. Mike serves as the Co-Chair of the Governmental Affairs Committee of the National Association of Bond Lawyers (NABL) and is a member of Louisiana's Committee of 100 for Economic Development. His work includes representing clients in financing projects totaling in excess of \$1 billion, including representing one of the world's largest companies in two of the largest non-industrial economic development projects in Louisiana history.

PRACTICE AREAS AND INDUSTRY TEAMS

- Public Finance
- Economic Development
- Housing Finance
- Public-Private Partnerships & Public Facilities

EXPERIENCE

- Prior to joining the firm, Mike began practicing law in Baton Rouge with a large southern law firm in 2008. During this time, he had the opportunity to practice under some of the state's preeminent public finance and economic development attorneys. Over the last decade, he has represented numerous government bodies, economic development agencies, 501c3 organizations, private developers and large corporations on economic development projects utilizing a variety of tools including, but not limited to, tax increment financing (TIF), economic development district financing (EDD), payment in lieu of taxes financing (PILOT) and New Markets Tax Credit financing (NMTC). In 2010, Mike was instrumental in working with the state legislature to amend the state's PILOT laws to provide for more security to local governmental bodies and more opportunities for businesses. With workforce development representing a critical ingredient for successful economic development, Mike's experience representing one of Louisiana's major workforce development companies allows him to provide clients with unique insight.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Louisiana, 2008
- U.S. District Courts
 - Louisiana: Eastern, Western, and Middle Districts
- Federal Court, 2008

DISTINCTIONS

- Appointed by Louisiana Gov. John Bel Edwards to serve on the Economic and Community Development Task Force of the Resilient Louisiana Commission
- Honorary Commander, United States Air Force, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, 2nd Bomb Wing, Barksdale Air Force Base
- Greater Shreveport 40 Under 40
- Norman C. Francis Leadership Institute Fellow

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- LSU Health Sciences Shreveport Foundation, Trustee
- Kappa Sigma Fraternity, Board of Directors, 2019-2021
- HBCU Legacy Bowl Inaugural Steering Committee Member
- Capital campaign responsible for developing, funding, and constructing a new \$7.5 million Kappa Sigma Fraternity House at LSU, Co-Chair, 2014-2018
- Shreveport-Bossier Military Affairs Council
 - Board of Directors
 - Membership Chair
- Eddie Robinson Legacy Society, National Chairman, 2012-2015
- Red River Valley Association, Board of Directors
- Captain Shreve High School Alumni Association, Board of Directors
- Mystic Krewe of Louisianans, Lieutenant (Washington, DC Mardi Gras)
- Elected to two terms on the Baton Rouge Bar Association's Young Lawyers Council, 2010-2011

ASSOCIATIONS

- National Association of Bond Lawyers
 - Governmental Affairs Committee
 - Co-Chair
- Committee of 100 of Louisiana
- Louisiana Bar Association
- Shreveport Bar Association
- American Bar Association

EDUCATION & HONORS

- Loyola University New Orleans College of Law, J.D., 2008
 - Commencement Speaker
- Louisiana State University, B.A., Political Science, 2005
 - Student Senate President
 - Leadership LSU
 - Omicron Delta Kappa