

## Bob Lazarus

As one of the leading attorneys in municipal and corporate finance in Mississippi, Bob uses his 30 years of experience practicing law to help clients obtain the financing they need for multi-million dollar projects. He has been instrumental in helping Mississippi lure international companies to locate their operations in Mississippi. During his career he has been involved in financing deals for auto manufacturers, hospitals, steel mills, coal plants and many other types of businesses. Bob was one of the first attorneys in Mississippi to obtain GO Zone (Gulf Opportunity Zone) bond financing for a client - a large hospital system - using the incentives created after hurricane Katrina.

Bob's experience has proven invaluable in the development of close working relationships with local economic development professionals and local governmental officials, as well as officials of the Development Authority, the Mississippi Business Finance Corporation, the Mississippi State Tax Commission and Mississippi Attorney General's office.

He is a graduate of Dartmouth College (A.B., *magna cum laude*, 1973) and Boston University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1976).

He is a member of The Mississippi Bar, the Ohio State Bar (inactive status), the American Bar Association and the National Association of Bond Lawyers. Bob is recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*, Corporate Law, Project Finance Law and Public Finance Law and by *Chambers USA: America's Leading Business Lawyers* for Corporate/Commercial: Municipal Finance in Mississippi and was recently recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America* as "Jackson, MS Best Lawyers Public Finance Lawyer of the Year" for 2011. Bob is the first and only Mississippi attorney to be named to the American College of Bond Counsel.

**Robert S. Lazarus**  
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### Areas of Practice:

- Municipal Bond Financing
- Complex Corporate Financing
- Economic Development Incentives
- GO Zone Financing Incentives

