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Overview

Allison has more than a decade of experience serving as bond counsel, underwriter's counsel and borrower's counsel in tax-advantaged financings.

Allison's practice is focused on multifamily and senior housing, health care, transportation, higher education and nonprofit financings. She also counsels housing authorities and other public entities regarding general municipal law.

Areas of Focus

- Public Finance
- Health Care
- Senior & Affordable Housing
- State & Local Government

Admissions

- Washington, 2008
- New Jersey, 2004
- Oregon, 2017
- Pennsylvania, 2004

Education

- J.D., Boston College Law School (*cum laude*), 2004

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  - *Environmental Affairs Law Review*
    - Solicitations Editor, 2003-2004
    - Staff Writer, 2002-2003
  - Client Counseling Competition, Semi-Finalist
- B.A., Pomona College, 2001

Honors & Recognition

- *Chambers USA* (Washington) Leading Individual, Public Finance, 2025-present
- *The Best Lawyers in America*©
  - Municipal Law, 2024
  - Public Finance Law, 2024
- Rising Star, Washington Super Lawyers list, 2012

Professional Activities

- American Bar Association
  - Forum on Affordable Housing and Community Development Law, Member
- King County Bar Association, Member
- National Association of Bond Lawyers
- Washington Finance Officers Association
- Washington State Association of Municipal Attorneys
- Washington State Bar Association

Community Activities

- Leadership Tomorrow, Class of 2014
- Municipal League of King County, Board Member

News & Insights

News

71 Foster Garvey Attorneys Selected to the 2027 Best Lawyers® Lists; Six Named 'Lawyer of the Year'

08.20.26

Foster Garvey Recognized Among Nation's Top Firms in 2026 Chambers USA Guide: 34 Attorneys and 15 Practices Ranked

06.04.26

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Public Finance Attorneys Recognized as Top Bond Counsel (Competitive) for 2025

02.10.26

71 Foster Garvey Attorneys Recognized Among the 2026 Best Lawyers in America; Paul Trinchero Named 'Lawyer of the Year'

08.21.25

Public Finance Attorneys Recognized as Top Bond Counsel (Competitive) for First Half of 2025

08.01.25

Foster Garvey Recognized Among Nation's Top Firms in 2025 Chambers USA Guide; 26 Attorneys and 13 Practices Ranked

06.05.25

Public Finance Attorneys Recognized as Top Bond Counsel (Competitive) for First Quarter 2025

05.01.25

Public Finance Attorneys Recognized as Top Bond Counsel (Competitive) for 2024

02.01.25

Municipal & Public Finance Attorneys Ranked in Top 10 Electric Power Bond Counsel and Top Bond Counsel (Competitive)

10.30.24

65 Foster Garvey Attorneys Selected to The Best Lawyers in America® 2025, Three Named 'Lawyer of the Year'

08.15.24

Municipal Attorneys Recognized as Top Bond Counsel (Competitive) for First Half of 2024

07.19.24

Municipal, Health & Housing Practice Announces Change in Group's Leadership

02.06.24

Municipal Lawyers Recognized as Top Bond Counsel (Competitive) for 2023

01.20.24

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57 Foster Garvey Attorneys Recognized Among the 2024 Best Lawyers in America; Two Portland Attorneys Named 'Lawyer of the Year'

08.17.23

Seattle Indian Health Board Research Helps Create Government Task Force for Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives

01.07.20

Foster Garvey Public Finance Team Closes $1.2 Billion in Bonds in One Week

01.07.20

Events

After the Issue Date: Post-Issuance Compliance Training for Issuers and Borrowers of Tax-Exempt Bonds Webinar

05.10.23

“Sales and B&O Taxes for Washington Housing Authorities,” Washington Housing Authority Accounting Professionals

09.01.18

2018 Tri-Cities Municipal Government & Public Finance Seminar

7.19.2018

Legal Alerts

Upcoming Changes to EMMA User Accounts

06.22.23

Now Effective: New REET Exemption Available in Washington for Property to Be Used to Provide Affordable Housing

01.13.23

2023 Reminder to Issuers and Borrowers of LIBOR-Based Tax-Exempt Bonds: Now is the Time to Protect the Tax-Exempt Status of Bonds in Anticipation of Upcoming Discontinuation of LIBOR

01.04.23

Income-Averaging in LIHTC Properties: IRS Releases Proposed Rule

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11.02.20

Bond Compliance: Important Reminders During COVID-19 Outbreak

04.05.20

Washington State COVID-19 Benefits FAQs

03.18.20

Expanded Continuing Disclosure Obligations

03.17.17

Reminder For Operators Of Qualified Residential Rental Projects - New Form 8703 To Be Used For Filings Due March 31, 2012

03.21.12

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