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**EMPLOYMENT:**

Christley, Herington & Pierce, Aurora, OH

Partner, 1997 - present, Associate, 1988 - 1996

- Real estate and zoning, experienced representation of and before Board of Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission; Trial and Appellate Court representation.
- Public sector construction representation, construction contracts, dispute resolution, Trial and Appellate Court representation.

**EXPERIENCE:**

Private practice

- Successfully prosecuted a constitutional challenge to City of Aurora Zoning Code through trial under the more stringent Gerijo, Inc. v. City of Fairfield standard.
- Obtained zoning approval of numerous site plans and conditional zoning certificates from numerous municipalities.
- Representation at the administrative, trial and appellate levels.

Village of Hiram, as Solicitor from 1998 – present drafted and guided the Council through various revisions to the Zoning Code of the Village

City of Aurora, as Legal Adviser to Planning Commission from 2002 – present and as Assistant Law Director, City of Kent, OH 1997 – 2007:

- Advice to Planning Commission and Department Director regarding Code interpretation and compliance with legal process.
- Drafting of Zoning Code Revisions.
- Defense of constitutional challenges to Zoning Code.

**LICENSURE:**

All Ohio State Courts, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit.

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:**

Ohio State Bar Association, Portage County Bar Association.