

**OUTLINE OF TESTIMONY**

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Director of Zoning and Land Use Services  
Holland & Knight LLP

- I. Introduction
- II. Experiences and expertise
- III. Site location and description
- IV. Description of surrounding area
- V. Zoning
- VI. Proposed development
- VII. Analysis of requested flexibility
- VIII. Conclusions

## PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

STEVEN EDWARD SHER  
DIRECTOR OF ZONING AND LAND USE SERVICES  
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

### EDUCATION:

Brooklyn College of the City University of New York, 1969, Bachelor of Arts  
(Urban Studies and Political Science)  
Cornell University, 1971, Master of Regional Planning

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Director of Zoning and Land Use Services, Holland & Knight, LLP  
2000 - present  
Director of Zoning Services, Wilkes, Artis, Hedrick & Lane, Chartered  
1985 - 2000  
Executive Director, Zoning Secretariat, District of Columbia  
1977 - 1985  
Deputy Director, Zoning Division, Municipal Planning Office, District of Columbia  
1975 - 1977  
Acting Secretary to the Board of Zoning Adjustment, District of Columbia  
1976  
Urban Planner, D.C. Zoning Commission, D.C. Office of Planning and Management,  
D.C. Municipal Planning Office  
1972 - 1975  
Renewal Coordinator, District of Columbia Zoning Commission  
1972 - 1973  
Acting Secretary to the District of Columbia Zoning Commission  
1972  
Project Planner, District of Columbia Zoning Commission  
1971 - 1972  
Planning Intern, Frederick P. Clark Associates, Planning and Development Consultants  
1970  
Research Intern, Brooklyn Linear City Development Corporation  
1969

**APPEARED AS EXPERT WITNESS:**

District of Columbia Zoning Commission  
District of Columbia Board of Zoning Adjustment  
District of Columbia Historic Preservation Review Board  
District of Columbia Mayor's Agent for D.C. Law 2-144  
Zoning Hearing Examiner, Montgomery County, Maryland  
Montgomery County (Maryland) Planning Board  
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Columbia  
Superior Court of the District of Columbia

**AREAS OF INTEREST AND/OR SPECIALIZATION:**

Land use planning  
Zoning, subdivision and other control of land use  
Urban design  
Urban transportation planning

**ORGANIZATIONS:**

American Planning Association (1971-present)  
Greater Washington Board of Trade (1986-2000)  
    Planning and Development Committee (Vice-Chairman for Zoning and  
        Regulatory Affairs) (1987-88)  
    Community Development Bureau Steering Committee (1987-89)  
    PUD Task Force (Chairman) (1987)  
    Comprehensive Plan Task Force (1987-88)  
    Downtown Revitalization Committee Housing Team (1988)  
Mayor's Commission on Downtown Housing (1988-89)  
Downtown Partnership Downtown Development District Task Force (1989-90)  
Lambda Alpha (honorary land economics society) (1990-present)  
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Metropolitan Development Citizens  
    Advisory Committee (1997-2004)  
District of Columbia Comprehensive Plan Assessment Task Force (2002-2003)  
District of Columbia Comprehensive Plan Revision Task Force (2004-2006)  
District of Columbia Zoning Advisory Committee (2003-2008)  
District of Columbia Zoning Review Task Force (2007-present)

**LECTURES/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS:**

District of Columbia Association of Realtors  
District of Columbia Building Industry Association  
D.C. Bar/Georgetown University Law School Continuing Legal Education  
Capitol Hill Realtors  
American University Real Estate Alumni  
District of Columbia Apartment and Office Building Association