

# JANA WELTZIN

Principle Owner of JDW Counsel

## PROFILE


Alaskan born and raised attorney with more than ten years of experience practicing administrative law, regulatory compliance, and land use law in Alaska and Arizona. Experienced in quasi-judicial proceedings, property assessment appeals, statutory interpretation, and evidentiary record development. Former member of the Anchorage Platting Board (2018–2023). Commercial property owner and landlord with practical knowledge of valuation methodologies and property taxation impacts.

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### **JDW Counsel – Principal Attorney & Owner**

Anchorage, Alaska | 2015–Present

- Practice concentrated in administrative law, land use and zoning, and regulated industry compliance.
- Represent clients in quasi-judicial hearings before state and municipal bodies.
- Handle property assessment appeals and matters affecting commercial property valuation.
- Develop and review evidentiary records; evaluate expert valuation testimony.
- Draft legal briefs, proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law.
- Advise on statutory and regulatory compliance under complex administrative frameworks.
- Represent clients in conditional use permits, zoning appeals, licensing proceedings, and regulatory enforcement matters.
- Advise commercial property owners on leasing, acquisition, land use entitlements, and valuation impacts of regulatory decisions.

### **Rose Law Group – Associate Attorney**

Scottsdale, Arizona | 2013–2015

- Advised regulated industry clients regarding licensing, land use approvals, and business structuring.
- Secured variances, special use permits, and zoning amendments.
- Drafted and negotiated commercial leases and purchase agreements.
- Assisted in civil litigation matters including research, pleadings, and case management.

### **Frank, Sheldon & Houser – Associate Attorney**

Phoenix, Arizona | 2012–2013

- Drafted pleadings and legal memoranda.
- Participated in hearings and depositions.

- Managed case preparation and evidentiary documentation.

## **PUBLIC SERVICE & BOARD LEADERSHIP**

### **Anchorage Platting Board – Member**

Municipality of Anchorage | 2018–2023

- Participated in quasi-judicial hearings involving subdivision approvals and property rights.
- Reviewed technical reports, staff recommendations, expert testimony, and public comment.
- Applied municipal code and statutory standards to land use determinations.
- Engaged in impartial deliberation and evidence-based decision-making.

### **Director, Board of Alaska Marijuana Industry Association (AMIA)**

Founding member - Present

- Provide governance oversight for statewide trade association.
- Engage in regulatory and legislative policy discussions affecting Alaska businesses.

### **Director, Board of International Cannabis Bar Association (INCBA)**

2023-Present

- Serve on board of international professional legal organization.
- Contribute to governance, education initiatives, and professional standards.

## **BUSINESS & PROPERTY EXPERIENCE**

- Commercial property owner and landlord.
- Experience with income-based valuation, lease structuring, and property tax implications.
- Practical understanding of how regulatory frameworks impact assessed value.

## **EDUCATION**

Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law

Arizona State University – J.D., 2012

- CALI Award – Indian Gaming
- Pedrick Scholar
- Associate Editor, Law Journal for Social Justice
- Moot Court Finalist

University of Nevada, Reno

B.A., Political Science; Minor in Economic Policy, 2009