

David W. Tandy

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Overview

David W. Tandy is a member of the Economic Development group, with an emphasis on public policy and community engagement. Prior to joining DBG, David served the people of Louisville, Kentucky as President of its Metro Council and helped create an economic environment that led to multi-billion-dollar growth in the city during his tenure as a Metro Councilman. Today, David utilizes his unique knowledge of the intersection between government and business to help corporations, public/private developers, non-profits, municipalities, and quasi-governmental entities identify and maximize opportunities that help them thrive and strengthen their position for future growth.

During his decade plus career in local government David, as chairman of the Louisville Metro Council's Labor and Economic Development Committee, crafted and guided various ordinances through the legislative process and worked with business and other civic leaders to create jobs and transform communities. An example of the intentional and innovative thinking David brought to the Metro Council and provides for his clients still today can be seen in the development and construction of the KFC Yum! Center. During the early planning stages of this project, which transformed the Louisville skyline, David successfully authored and spearheaded the enactment of public policy that gave local businesses the opportunity to grow and individuals from every part of the community the ability to be employed and prosper. This policy of affording minority and women owned businesses and members of the workforce the opportunity to participate in major economic development projects was later formalized and adopted by the Louisville Metro Council in the Fair Labor Standards Ordinance of 2009 and continues to spur economic growth.

David continues to be civically engaged in Louisville, across the Commonwealth of Kentucky and nationally. He is the Vice Chairman and General Counsel for the Kentucky Science Center and the Chairman of the Legal Committee for the Boy Scouts of America's Lincoln Heritage Council. In addition, he is a board member of the James Graham Brown Regional Cancer Center Corporation, the Marilyn & William Young Charitable Foundation (Owensboro, KY), Owensboro (KY) Public Schools Foundation and the Henry Clay Center, housed in the University of Kentucky James W. Martin School of Public Policy and Administration. Nationally, David is a member of the Aspen Institute – Rodel Fellowship in Public Leadership.

Recognition

News

- Bingham Greenebaum and Doll Announces 2019 LCLD Honorees
- Bingham Greenebaum and Doll Attorney David W. Tandy Inducted Into Kentucky Civil Rights Hall of Fame
- Bingham Greenebaum and Doll Attorney, David Tandy, Featured in Who's Who In Louisville: 2018 African American Profiles
- David Tandy Finds New Ways to Serve the Community at Bingham Greenebaum and Doll
- Former Louisville Metro Council President David W. Tandy Joins Bingham Greenebaum and Doll
- "Top 100 Influencers in Louisville" 2017 Report Includes Two Bingham Greenebaum and Doll Attorneys

Honors and Awards

- Recipient, Louisville Business First 40 Under 40
- Fellow, Leadership Council for Legal Diversity
- Inductee, Kentucky Civil Rights Hall of Fame
- Honoree, Who's Who In Louisville: African American Profiles
- Influencer, Insider Louisville's Top 100 Influencers in Louisville
- Community Connector, Leadership Louisville Center
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Fellow, Class of 2019
- Who's Who In Louisville: 2018 African American Profiles
- Insider Louisville's Top 100 Influencers in Louisville (2018), Number 33
- Insider Louisville's Top 100 Influencers in Louisville (2017), Number 46
- Insider Louisville's Top 100 Influencers in Louisville (2016), Number 40

In the Media

- "David Tandy Becomes Partner at Dentons Bingham Greenebaum," *Louisville Business First*, March 1, 2021

Activities and Affiliations

- Seventh & Tenth President, Louisville Metro Council
- Adjunct Professor, University of Louisville College of Business
- Vice Chairman and General Counsel, Kentucky Science Center
- Chairman, Legal Committee of the Boy Scouts of America's Lincoln Heritage Council
- Member, Marilyn & William Young Charitable Foundation (Owensboro, KY) Board of Directors
- Member, Owensboro (KY) Public Schools Foundation Board of Directors
- Member, Henry Clay Center for Civility, Dialogue and Compromise Board of Directors
- Fellow, Aspen Institute – Rodel Fellowship in Public Leadership

- Member, University of Louisville Brown Regional Cancer Center Corporation Board of Directors
- Participant, 2014 No Labels National Ideas Meeting
- Delegate, Democratic National Convention (2000, 2004, 2008, 2012, 2016 & 2020)
- Member, Omega Psi Fraternity, Inc. – Theta Omega Chapter
- Member, Keystone Lodge No. 3 F&AM PHA
- Former Member, National League of Cities Large Cities and University Communities Councils
- Former Regent, Eastern Kentucky University Board of Regents
- Former Member, Louisville Arena Authority Board of Directors
- Former Member, Waterfront Development Corporation Board of Directors
- Former Member, Greater Louisville Inc. – the Metro Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors
- Former Member, Louisville Downtown Management District Board of Directors
- Former Member, Louisville Downtown Development Corporation Board of Directors
- Former Member, New Directions Housing Corporation Board of Directors
- Former Member, YMCA of Greater Louisville Board of Directors
- Former Treasurer, Kentucky Democratic Party

Community Involvement and Pro Bono

- Owensboro Public Schools Foundation for Excellence, Board of Trustees Member
- The Kentucky Science Center, Board Member
- The Lincoln Heritage Council for the Boys Scouts of America, Board Member
- James Graham Brown Cancer Center, Board Member

Presentations

- Moderator, "COVID-19: Stimulus Funding Opportunities for Municipal & Local Governments," Dentons webinar, April 28, 2020

Areas of focus

Practices

- Corporate
- Venture Technology and Emerging Growth Companies
- Public Procurement
- Public Policy and Regulation
- Public Finance
- Government Contracts - US

Industry sectors

- Educational Institutions
- Economic Development
- State, Regional, Provincial, Municipal and Local Government Bodies

Issues and opportunities

- ESG: Global Solutions

Education

- University of Kentucky College of Law, 1998, JD
- Vanderbilt University, 1995, BS in Human and Organizational Development

Admissions and qualifications

- Kentucky