



Property Tax

It is no secret the country has been hard hit by economic turmoil over the past several years, especially Michigan, and that hardship been felt most acutely at the local level. With revenue sharing cuts and reduced property tax values, local governments have seen a surge in challenges to property tax assessments.

Foster Swift attorneys have extensive experience representing municipalities and local governments in property tax appeals before the Michigan Tax Tribunal and Court of Claims. Our work in this area has involved many major cases. This includes, significant commercial and industrial appeals. Our team also provides municipal clients with assistance on tax assessment, tax collection, and special assessment issues, particularly in complex cases. We assist municipalities with drafting millage language.

Foster Swift attorneys provide assistance with:

- tax assessment
- tax collection
- special assessment issues, particularly in complex cases
- drafting millage language

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