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OVERVIEW

Joseph assists our attorneys with various land use, real estate, and environmental development matters. Joseph has years of experience preparing land use applications and interfacing with local planning staff in both Washington and Oregon to efficiently obtain land use entitlements.

Prior to joining Jordan Ramis, Joseph worked as a permit coordinator for the City of Albany Community Development Department and as a land use planner for a large regional law firm. He has been responsible for land use entitlements, including design review, site plan review, historic design review, and the negotiation of infrastructure requirements. He assists with the firm's many land use appeals, including at LUBA and the appellate courts. Joseph has frequently performed due diligence for real estate transactions and has handled the drafting and recording of real estate documents.

Joseph received a bachelor's degree from St. Lawrence University and earned his Master of Urban and Regional Planning from Portland State University. He currently serves as the Chairman of the City of Aurora's Planning Commission, and has successfully advocated for implementation of the land use laws in and around the community.

Education

- B.A., St. Lawrence University
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