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Matthew Allee focuses his practice on land use and zoning matters, including land use entitlements, development incentives, and zoning and concurrency issues. Matthew has experience representing property owners, developers, and business owners in obtaining land use approvals, including administrative adjustments, special uses, variations, and map amendments before municipal plan commissions, planning departments, zoning board of appeals, zoning committees, and community groups and organizations. He has also represented clients seeking business licenses in the City of Chicago, as well as business licensees in license violation cases.

Prior to joining private practice, Matthew worked in various capacities for the City of Chicago, which included serving as the Director of Zoning and Urban Development for 43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith, Assistant Corporation Counsel with the City's Law Department, Assistant Commissioner for Hospitality Licensing and Intergovernmental Affairs for the City's Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP), and most recently, was appointed Deputy Commissioner for Business Licenses and Permits for BACP.

Related Professional Experience

- City of Chicago Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection, Deputy Commissioner, 2018-2021; Assistant Commissioner, 2017-2018
- City of Chicago Department of Law, Assistant Corporation Counsel, 2016-2017
- Office of 43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith, Chicago, Illinois, Director of Zoning and Urban Development, 2013-2016
- Kings County District Attorney's Office, Brooklyn, New York, Student Assistant District Attorney, 2012-2013
- Cook County State's Attorney's Office, Chicago, Law Clerk, Summer 2012

Areas of Experience

Real Estate
Land Use and Development
Illinois Land Use and Entitlements

Education

J.D., Brooklyn Law School, 2013
B.A., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2005

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- New York County District Attorney's Office, New York City, Legal Intern, Spring 2012
- Office of the Mayor of New York City, Legal Intern, Fall 2011
- Hinds County Public Defender Office, Jackson, Mississippi, Legal Intern, Summer 2011