

Gerald A. Fisher

Professor

A frequent author and speaker on land use and municipal law issues, Professor Fisher has appeared several times in the Michigan Supreme Court, both on behalf of municipalities and as amicus curiae on behalf of interests such as the Michigan Municipal League, Michigan Townships Association and State Bar Public Corporation Law Section, primarily arguing issues involving zoning and land use, lake regulation and condemnation. He recently co-authored the reference book entitled *Michigan Zoning, Planning, and Land Use*, published by the Michigan Institute of Continuing Legal Education. In 2007, he was selected to be among the Best Lawyers in America in Municipal Law.

Professor Fisher was a recipient of the State Bar of Michigan Roberts P. Hudson Award, and is a member and past-Chair of the State Bar Public Corporation Law Section Council and past Co-Chair of the State Bar Court of Appeals Committee. He is also a member and immediate past-President of the Oakland County Bar Foundation Board of Trustees. He is active in public service, being a member of the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission, and providing *pro bono* legal services for various public interest activities.



Creative
“I enjoy treating the formulation of my scholarship as a creative experience, with the opportunity to insert into the marketplace of ideas a new thought on how to view a particular subject.”

Experience

Cooley Law School has a faculty that has distinguished itself in both scholarly achievement and the practice of law. Each faculty member has been selected for his or her academic background, coupled with experience as a practicing attorney.

EDUCATION

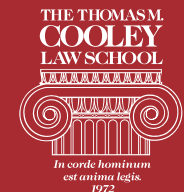
PROFESSOR
B.S. MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, 1967
M.A. MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, 1969
J.D. DETROIT COLLEGE OF LAW, 1972
LL.M. WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY, 1989

COURSES

AT COOLEY, PROFESSOR FISHER TEACHES PROPERTY, SECURED TRANSACTIONS, CONSTITUTIONAL LAW, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW, AND ZONING AND LAND USE LAW.

BACKGROUND

BEFORE JOINING COOLEY LAW SCHOOL, PROFESSOR FISHER WAS A SENIOR PARTNER AND MANAGER OF THE MUNICIPAL PRACTICE GROUP AT SECREST WARDLE, A FIRM WITH OFFICES IN FARMINGTON HILLS, MT. CLEMENS, LANSING AND GRAND RAPIDS. HE SERVED AS GENERAL COUNSEL FOR THE CITY OF NOVI, MICH., AND SEVERAL OTHER MUNICIPALITIES, AND AS SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES THROUGHOUT MICHIGAN. IN ADDITION, HE SERVED AS COUNSEL ON BEHALF OF PROPERTY OWNERS REGARDING LAND USE MATTERS, AND WAS AN ADJUNCT PROFESSOR AT COOLEY, TEACHING PLANNING AND ZONING LAW.

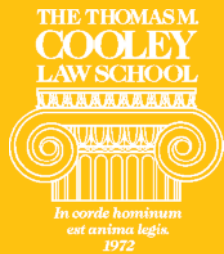


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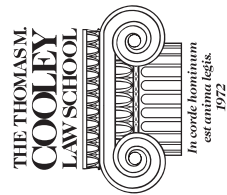
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