

**Jerry Marzullo** is a partner in the firm Asher, Gittler & D'Alba Ltd. and concentrates his practice on representing public and private labor unions and public pension funds. He has successfully represented clients in pension and labor matters, including collective bargaining, discipline, interest and grievance arbitrations, pension hearings (representing Pension Boards), administrative review, and declaratory judgment proceedings at Administrative, State, and Federal Levels. He has represented clients before the Illinois Labor Relations Board and the National Labor Relations Board in numerous labor matters. Jerry has considerable experience in litigation and appellate work, involving numerous reported decisions and successfully arguing before the Northern District of Illinois, the Illinois Circuit and Appellate Courts, and the Illinois Supreme Court. He also serves as Deputy General Counsel for the Illinois Public Pension Fund Association and the Metropolitan Alliance of Police. He serves as one of the General Counsel for the Statewide Associated Firefighters of Illinois. He serves as an Advisory Committee Member for the IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law's Illinois Public Sector Labor Relations Law Conference. He serves on the Illinois State Bar Association Employee Benefits Section Council and is one of the elected Directors for the Labor and Employment Relations Association - Chicago Chapter. Jerry received his Juris Doctorate from the Loyola University Chicago School of Law and his Masters in Business Administration (MBA) degree from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business with a dual concentration in Strategic Management and Managerial and Organizational Behavior. He is licensed to practice law in Illinois and has a provisional license in Colorado (Admission on Motion - Pending). He has been appointed to and served as an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association on multiple cases. He has previously taught undergraduate, Master's Degree, and Law School courses in various labor and employment law topics at Lewis University and the ChicagoKent College of Law. Jerry has been a frequent speaker at conferences and seminars on both labor and pension-related issues for the American Bar Association, the Illinois Public Pension Fund Association, the Metropolitan Alliance of Police, the Associated Firefighters of Illinois, the Illinois Professional Firefighters Association, the Illinois Government Finance Officers Association, the 100 Club of Illinois and the Chicago-Kent Illinois Public Sector Labor Relations Conference. Jerry has also created the pension fund Trustee training program for the Illinois Municipal League. Jerry has authored legal articles for publication, including, most recently, the Illinois Public Employee Relations Report (A Statement of Facts: The Reality of Public Safety Employee Pension Funds in the State of Illinois; Vol. 37 No. 3; Possible Wisdom and Wit regarding the Arbitration of Discipline; Vol. 39 No. 3). He has also trained command staff police officers and firefighters at the Northeastern Illinois Public Safety Training Academy (NIPSTA) and for the Fire Service Women of Illinois. Jerry is also currently a City of Berwyn Battalion Chief (IAFF-AFFI Local 506), where he currently has 25 years of creditable service and is former President of the City of Berwyn Firefighter's Pension Fund and former Vice-President of IAFFAFFI Local 506. He is a Certified Fire and Arson Investigator, Advanced Technician, Firefighter, and Chief Fire Officer. He is co-host of the successful Associated Firefighters of Illinois Podcast, which won two Media Awards from the International Association of Firefighters. Finally, and most importantly, he is

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