

News Release – For Immediate Release
January 10, 2014
City of Sanibel
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BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN COORDINATING COMMITTEE (BPCC) SANIBEL REPRESENTATIVES SOUGHT



The Sanibel City Council is accepting applications for the City of Sanibel representative and alternate to serve on the Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinating Committee (BPCC). The BPCC consists of citizens as well as local and state agency personnel who are responsible for bicycle and pedestrian planning. This committee coordinates these agencies' bicycle/pedestrian planning activities, reviews provisions for pedestrians and cyclists in state and federal-aid surface transportation projects and advises the MPO on the development of the bicycle and pedestrian element of its transportation plan and the programming of bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

The committee By-laws can be obtained at Sanibel City Hall, 800 Dunlop Road, Sanibel, Florida 33957 or by [clicking here](#)

An application can be obtained by [clicking here](#) or at Sanibel City Hall, 800 Dunlop Road, Sanibel, Florida 33957. Submit application by mail to City of Sanibel, 800 Dunlop, Sanibel, Florida 33957, attention City Clerk, by email [click here](#), or by fax (239) 472-3065.

APPLICATION TO SERVE
SANIBEL VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES



Authorizing Legislation which outlines Committee duties is available on the City Website www.mysanibel.com - City Forms\City Clerk Forms\Advisory Committee Application

Check the Committee(s) for which you are applying: (may attach letter & résumé)

_____ **Contractor Licensing Board** (Monthly meetings; 1st Thursday 4:00 p.m.)

_____ **Historical Preservation Committee** (Monthly meetings; 1st Thurs. 9:00 a.m. and Museum duties required) (NOTE: Must have "special knowledge, skills or interest in historic preservation.")

_____ **Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee** (Monthly meetings; 4th Thursday 8:00 a.m.)

_____ **Vegetation Committee** (Monthly meetings; 1st Thursday at 1:30 p.m. and inspection duties required) (NOTE: Must have passed the Sanibel Vegetation Exam prior to appointment.)

_____ **General Employee Pension Board of Trustees** (Meets quarterly)

_____ **Planning Commission** (Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month 9:00 a.m.)

_____ **Sanibel Police Pension Board of Trustees** (Meets quarterly)

_____ **Recreation Financial Assistance Committee** (NOTE: Must be a Sanibel resident and attend 75% of Committee meetings per adopted meeting schedule.)

_____ **Other** (Lee Co Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC); Lee Co Human Services Council) **Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinating Committee**

Of Committees Marked How Many Meetings Have You Attended? _____

New Member _____ Returning Member _____

NAME: _____ PHONE: Home: _____ Cell: _____

ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL: _____

YEAR ROUND SANIBEL RESIDENT: _____ YES _____ NO

NUMBER OF MONTHS RESIDING ON SANIBEL ANNUALLY: _____

OCCUPATION/ EMPLOYER: _____

BACKGROUND: (EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE)

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 Charles PT Phoenix, Esq.
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 J.D.

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Education, Professional Credentials, and Licensure

Admissions to Bar

State Bar of Michigan, 2000

The Florida Bar, 2001

United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, 2009

United States Tax Court, 2005

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, 2000

United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, 2002

United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Florida, 2008

Florida Bar Board Certified Real Estate Lawyer, The Florida Bar, 2009

Court Certified Mediator, United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, 2012

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Certified Public Accountant, Michigan State Board of Accountancy, 2002

Certified Building Contractor, Florida Construction Industry Licensing Board, 2003

The University of Alabama School of Law, Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Taxation, 2012

Stephen M. Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

Master of Business Administration (MBA), 2006

Wayne State University Law School, Detroit, Michigan

Juris Doctor (J.D.), 1999

Honors: Arthur F. Lederle Scholarship, Wayne State University Board of Governors Scholarship

Capital Improvements and Library Committee, Member

Dean Search Committee (Student Section), Member

Student Board of Governors, Treasurer and Representative at Large

Founded 5 ongoing organizations/programs

Wayne State University School of Business Administration, Detroit, Michigan

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Business Administration, *Summa Cum Laude*, 1995

Accounting major

Honors: Beta Gamma Sigma, Golden Key National Honor Society; Dean's List (8 of 8 semesters), 5 scholarships

Notable Acknowledgments, Accomplishments and Activities

AV Preeminent, Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review Rating (highest possible lawyer rating)

10.0 Superb, AVVO lawyer rating (highest possible lawyer rating)

Lead counsel in unanimous ruling in the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

2009 case involving complex state exemption and federal tax, employee benefit and bankruptcy issues.

 *Bankruptcy court ruled that self-employed individual was required to turn over 401(a) qualified plan assets to trustee in Chapter 7 case. District Court affirmed. 11th Circuit found that the a Keogh plan for a self-employed individual was exempt from administration, overturned the lower court rulings, and remanded the matter back to the bankruptcy court. Cite as: In Re Sarah Baker, 590 F.3d 1261, 2009 WL 4912122 (C.A.11 (Fla.)), Bankr. L. Rep. P 81,654, 48 Employee Benefits Cas. 1543, Pens. Plan Guide (CCH) P 24006I, 22 Fla. L. Weekly Fed. C 333.*

Featured lawyer, Lee County Bar Association article "from the bar." *Res Gestae*, January 2013.

Top Southwest Florida Lawyers 2012, *Gulfshore Life*, November 2012.

2012 American Heart Association HeartWalk Leadership Cabinet Co-Chair (with wife, Lisa)

The 2012 campaign set an all-time fundraising record of \$444,583

Sanibel Babe Ruth League Inc., Sanibel, Florida

Founder, President and Coach, 2012 to present

Founded youth baseball and softball organization (preceded by the Sanibel-Captiva Little League), increased enrollment in consecutive seasons after several years of decline, developed innovative programs (like the Sanibel Academy), organized and held skills camps (like the annual Triple Play Holiday Skills Camp), and coached numerous league and All-Star teams,

Various youth sports organizations, Sanibel and Fort Myers, Florida

Coach, 2007 to present

Coached almost 2 dozen baseball (3 different leagues), flag football, and soccer teams, champions, All-Stars, and baseball skills camps

Wayne State University Alumni Association Recent Alumni Award for significant accomplishment, 2006

Service as chairperson or member, numerous formal and ad hoc business, professional, community, charitable and school service boards and committees

Professional Speaking Presentations and Published Material

"Don't Be a Fly By Night Operation Not-For-Profit Seminar Series: Soar and Learn the Proper Legal Structure and Governance." Stroemer & Company [Organization]. Fort Myers. 28 Sep. 2012.

"Don't Be a Fly By Night Operation Not-For-Profit Seminar Series: Soar and Learn the Proper Legal Structure and Governance." Stroemer & Company [Organization]. Fort Myers. 11 Jul. 2012.

"Nuts and Bolts of Collection Law CLE Seminar: How to Find Debtors and Their Assets and Obtaining a Judgment, A Procedural Guide." National Business Institute [Organization]. Fort Myers. 16 Nov. 2011.

"Protecting the Creditor's Rights During Bankruptcy CLE Seminar: Miscellaneous Creditor's Rights and Automatic Stay." National Business Institute [Organization]. Fort Myers. 26 Apr. 2011.

Youth baseball contributing writer. *Island Sun*, 2010.

"Solving Recession-Related Title Problems, CLE Seminar: Resolving Tax Lien Issues and Understanding Tax Lien Foreclosures and Sales." HalfMoon Seminars [Organization]. Fort Myers. 10 Nov. 2010.

"Protecting the Creditor's Rights During Bankruptcy CLE Seminar." National Business Institute [Organization]. Fort Myers. 2010.

"Nuts and Bolts of Bankruptcy Law CLE Seminar." National Business Institute [Organization]. Fort Myers. 16 Nov. 2009.

"Title Insurance Issues from Contract to Closing CLE Seminar, What Risks are Covered, Endorsements and Title Standards." HalfMoon Seminars [Organization]. Fort Myers. 15 Feb. 2007.

"Florida Real Estate Title Issues CLE Seminar, Understanding Easements, Endorsements and Title Standards." HalfMoon Seminars [Organization]. Tampa. 9 Nov. 2006.

"Commercial Real Estate Transactions in Florida: Negotiation to Closing CLE Seminar, Negotiating a Commercial Transaction." HalfMoon Seminars [Organization]. Fort Myers. 11 May 2006.

"On MDPs, CPAs and More." *ABA Journal*, April 2001.

"Residential Real Estate Transactions." *Business Messenger*, January 2001.

"Commercial Contingent Fee Lawsuits." *Business Messenger*, September 2000.

"Estate tax prevents American 'royalty'" Editorial Rebuttal. *The Detroit News*, August 15, 2000.

Professional, Academic, and Business Experiences

Legal and Accounting Experiences

Rhodes Tucker (formed as Rhodes Tucker Garretson & Phoenix Chartered) (succeeding Phoenix File & Pagidipati PLLC and predecessors and Rhodes, Tucker & Garretson and predecessors), Fort Myers, Marco Island, Sanibel, and Naples, Florida

Managing Partner and Lawyer, 2003 to present

Martindale-Hubbell AV-rated law firm with business, litigation, real estate, restructuring, and sports advisory practices using multi-disciplined approaches to help clients unlock value in their assets and opportunities

§ Top 19 Law Firms in Southwest Florida. *Gulfshore Business*, December 2010

§ Ranked 1,502 in the Inc. 5000 with 192% 3-year growth (as predecessor Phoenix Law PA). *Inc.*, October 2010

Pavese Haverfield Dalton Harrison & Jensen L.L.P., Fort Myers, Florida, Associate Lawyer, 2002-2003

Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart, P.A., West Palm Beach, Florida, Associate Lawyer, 2001-2002

Pentiuk, Couvreur & Kobiljak P.C., Wyandotte, Michigan, Associate Lawyer, 2000-2001; Law Clerk, 1997-1999

Deloitte & Touche LLP, Detroit, Michigan, Tax Consultant, 1999-2000

Price Waterhouse LLP, Detroit, Michigan, Tax Associate, 1996

Experiences in Academia

Edison College, Fort Myers and Naples, Florida, Adjunct Professor in Business Law and Accounting, 2002-2003

University of Detroit Mercy, Detroit, Michigan, Adjunct Faculty in Corporate Finance, 1999-2000

Business Experiences

Warning Track LLC, Sanibel, Florida

Chief Executive Officer and General Counsel, 2013 to present

Founded the nation's first after-school baseball academies to raving review, each of which delivers structured training on a daily basis with the sole goal of "Transforming Students into Leaders and High School Ballplayers"

Americana Mint LLC, Sanibel, Florida

General Counsel and VP of Finance, 2011 to present

Founded early-stage start-up firm that sells fine gold on a subscription basis to everyday Americans

The AT Company, Sanibel, Florida

President, 2006 to present

Family-owned real estate development, commercial investment property, construction, and business holding company seeking value creation through redevelopment projects, including the charming, environmentally-focused Islander Center complex in Sanibel and innovative or contrarian business opportunities

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Business Experiences (continued)

Golden Girls LLC, Fort Myers, Florida

Chief Financial Officer and General Counsel, 2008-2012

Award-winning female-focused precious metals recycler with peak annual revenues exceeding \$19,000,000, over \$800,000 in charitable donations, and prominent media coverage by National Public Radio (February 20, 2009) and on the front cover of *Gulfshore Business* (July 2011) (sold in 2012 for over 8x adjusted EBITDA)

EDA Gulf Properties I LLC and Streetcar Detroit Ltd., Fort Myers, Florida

Chief Executive Officer, 1998-2006

Residential contractor and developer of the wildly-successful \$10,000,000 Gulf Hideaway and other projects

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The Esplanade | 800 N. Collier Boulevard, Suite 203 | Marco Island, Florida 34145 | [O 239.394.5151](tel:239.394.5151) | [F 239.394.5807](tel:239.394.5807)

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Charles PT Phoenix is the managing partner of Rhodes Tucker, AV-Rated by Martindale-Hubbell, and a Florida Bar Board Certified Real Estate Lawyer. He looks to help clients unlock value in their assets, opportunities, and challenges by applying real estate, tax, business, contract, negotiation, litigation, restructuring, accounting, finance, and other strategies to problems in creative ways, drawing from various disciplines, and starting from each client's business and end game. He regularly instructs professional education courses and workshops that involve free-forming practical and philosophical discussions involving every participant developing working concepts with individual relevance that become tools for specific application and as analytical models to dynamically work through complex problems. He developed his teaching style while lecturing business law, corporate finance, and accounting courses at University of Detroit-Mercy and Edison State College as an Adjunct Professor. He is admitted to The Florida Bar, the State Bar of Michigan, the United States Court of Appeals for the 11th Court, the United States Tax Court, the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida. He holds an LL.M. in Taxation from The University of Alabama Law School, a J.D. from Wayne State University Law School, an MBA from Stephen M. Ross School of Business Administration at the University of Michigan, and a B.S. Business Administration, *Summa Cum Laude*, from Wayne State University School of Business Administration. Mr. Phoenix is also a Court Certified Mediator for the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, a Certified Public Accountant (Michigan; inactive), and a Certified Building Contract (Florida; inactive). He was listed as a "Top Southwest Florida Lawyers" (*Gulfshore Life*, November 2012), was lead counsel in the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals ruling *In Re Sarah Baker* (590 F.3d 1261, 2009 WL 4912122 (C.A.11 (Fla.))) (unanimously overturning 2 lower courts on tax, ERISA and asset protection issues), led his previous firm to rank 1,502 in the 2010 Inc. 5000 (*Inc.*, October 2010) with a 192% 3-year growth, received the 2006 Wayne State University Alumni Association Recent Alumni Award, for significant accomplishment, Co-Chaired the record-setting 2012 American Heart Association HeartWalk campaign for Lee County, Florida with his wife, Lisa, coaches youth baseball and flag football, led the Sanibel Babe Ruth League Inc. to consecutive years of growth after years of decline, and founded The Sanibel Academy and Warning Track Academies as the first professionally-staffed, full-time, after-school, structured athletics programs in the country with the goal of "Turning Students into League Leaders and High School Ballplayers" to best position students for play and training for academic success beyond high school by encouraging major league dreams, while emphasizing focus on making prep school teams as their immediate goals.