

# Biography



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#### Education

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Jennifer M. Tammen is based in Chicago and is part of EY's Global Location Investment Services-Credits & Incentives Advisory Practice. She works with both private corporations and local governments and economic development officials on matters related to real estate development and incentives.

A proven deal maker, Jennifer has nearly 20 years of success in working with developers, property owners, municipalities, and quasi-public agencies on all aspects of tax increment financing (TIF), zoning and entitlements, planning, deal structuring, redevelopment agreement negotiation, early-stage project management, and creative approaches to capital and public-private project evaluation and funding.

Jennifer has prepared financial analysis and negotiation services to secure the approval of nearly \$2 billion in new real estate development projects and business retention and more than \$250 million in TIF and other financial subsidies throughout the Chicagoland market. In addition, she has assisted dozens of clients with economic development projects and initiatives throughout Illinois including new TIF District and Business District designations, feasibility analyses, and special studies.

Most recently, Jennifer served as Principal and Municipal Advisor for Ehlers and had formed and led her own company, THE TAMMEN GROUP where she also served as a consulting Planning Project Manager for the Public Building Commission of Chicago. She has also served as Director of Planning for Norwood Builders, Inc. and as Redevelopment Project Manager for the Village of Oak Park, Illinois.

Jennifer is a recognized expert on state and local economic incentives qualification, structuring, and negotiation including tax increment financing (TIF) as well as other programs. She has spoken to various groups including the Illinois Tax Increment Association (ITIA), the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC), the Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA), and Stanford University's Graduate School of Engineering. Jennifer has lectured about Development Negotiation for the College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Ms. Tammen holds a Master's Degree in Urban Planning and Policy from the University of Illinois at Chicago and a Bachelor of Arts (Political Science) from DePaul University.