

## **JOHN MARSCHNER RICKEL**

**JOHN MARSCHNER RICKEL** is a licensed attorney [#P19432] and is Managing Director of The Rickel Law Firm. He graduated from the Detroit Public Schools in 1957, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1960 from the University of Michigan, and his Juris Doctor from the University of Michigan Law School in 1963.

Upon graduation from law school and becoming a member of the State Bar of Michigan, Mr. Rickel was an Instructor at Wayne State University Law School for three years, as well as active in and Counsel to his family's Rickel Malt Company multi-state business, of which he became Treasurer in 1969. He also attended the University of Michigan Graduate School of Business Administration and joined Touche Ross & Co. (now Deloitte CPAs) in 1969, becoming a Certified Public Accountant [#7195] admitted to practice in 1972. He served on both the audit and tax staffs of that firm, along with a consulting assignment, until 1975, when he joined the Butzel, Long, Gust, Klein & Van Zile law firm in private practice. Mr. Rickel was a founder of Rickel & Baun, P.C., and its predecessor firms in 1977, as well as John M. Rickel, C.P.A., P.C. Mr. Rickel specialized in real estate, tax, S.E.C., corporate, and contract law, including estate planning, probate, and wills and trusts, as well as handling family / divorce, insurance and agency law problems. He worked in planning, structuring, negotiating, and litigating business and personal financial transactions, and he dealt with both publicly and privately held corporations. His diversified corporate and individual clientele has taken him into significant involvement in corporate, probate, divorce, commercial, collection, real estate and tax law litigation. He is founder, past President/Treasurer and past Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Grosse Pointe Cable Television system.

Mr. Rickel is a past 6 year term-limited member of the Board of Directors of the approximately 16,000 member State of Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants (MACPA), and remains a member of the MACPA Ethics Committee, charged with addressing and resolving CPA alleged ethics violations. Mr. Rickel periodically has taught tax, accounting, auditing, bankruptcy, and ethics seminars for the MACPA, where he was Chair of its Continuing Professional Education Program.

Mr. Rickel served for 2 years as a Special Investigator for the Attorney Grievance Commission of the State Bar of Michigan. He is also a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) [#7694].

Mr. Rickel is a Past President of the Investment Analysts Society of Detroit [now CFA Society of Detroit], the Michigan affiliate of the CFA Institute [formerly Association for Investment Management and Research (AIMR)], and was Mid-West Region Presidents' Chair.

Mr. Rickel was the elected term-limited world-wide Chairman of the then 134 Presidents of the CFA Institute local Societies from 2001 to 2004. There were then about 167,000 CFA Charterholders, Candidates taking the 3 year series of examinations, and Candidates who had not yet begun the examinations, in those 134 world-wide Societies. CFAs are generally the professional investors employed at investment banks, insurance companies, pension funds, and banks.

Mr. Rickel is a member of the Board of Directors and / or an Officer of a number of Michigan and other State corporations, including Springfix Linkages, LLC, a parts

supplier for vehicles and manufacturing technology, partly family owned. He is United States General Counsel to Association Dues Assurance Corporation (ADAC), a licensed family-owned company heading the family H.W. Rickel Group, established 1876. ADAC uses and develops extensive real property proprietary Information Technology software, including title-company-type technologies, and Internet County Register of Deeds interfaces, for technology innovation / very low cost – higher speed assessment / dues foreclosure solutions for Community Associations (condominiums, homeowners, time-share and co-operative associations), replacing or supplementing traditional law firm litigation methods. ADAC offers direct Internet operations, and collection attorney-paper-push-relationships (relieving Condominium lawyers' time, which can be better spent working Contracts, ByLaws, real estate development, and litigation), in about ½ of the fifty United States jurisdictions.

Mr. Rickel is admitted to legal practice in Michigan State Courts, U.S. District Court, U.S. Court of Appeals - Sixth Circuit, U.S. Tax Court, and the United States Supreme Court. He is a life member of the Economic Club of Detroit, and is a past President, past Treasurer and past Board Member of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Association, Grosse Pointe's community center, a past Board Member of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society and of the Circumnavigator's Club. He is immediate Past-Chair and Board member of the Greater Detroit Chapter of World Presidents Organization, Inc. (the Detroit YPO / WPO alumni organization) and its past Treasurer (for 23 years). He is a past Board Member and past Corporate Secretary of the University Club of Detroit. Mr. Rickel was Chairman of the Economic

Futuring Task Force for the Grosse Pointes Cities Futuring Project. He is also an FAA licensed instrument pilot, and was skipper of Athene, a 35' racing sloop which was 2<sup>nd</sup> for two years in a row in the Detroit River Yachting Association (DRYA) in Cruising C / D.

Mr. Rickel attended the YPO Executive Management Seminar at the Stanford University Graduate Business School, and the YPO Advanced Management Seminar at the Harvard University Business School.