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# P3s: Public-Private Partnerships

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 A full-service law firm with offices in Colorado, Arizona, California, Nevada and Utah

 Active in planning, structuring and representing P3s throughout our footprint, nationally and around the globe



#### Snell & Wilmer L.L.P. and P3s

 We represent concessionaries, project team members (including contractors, investors, lenders, etc.) and public entities in implementing P3 projects

 We help our clients manage the risks and responsibilities that come with being involved in P3s



#### What is a P3?

- Partnership (contract) between public and private sectors to deliver a service or facility for public use
- Each party shares in risks and rewards, specifically negotiated to the issues of the specific project and role
- Many different models and applications



### **P3 Models: Transportation**

- Most popular P3 model in U.S.
- Agreement between public entity and "concessionaire" or consortium of private entities to design, build, finance, operate & maintain project
- Private partner collects user fees/tolls from the public
- Example: Eagle P3 Project



# P3 Models: Other Applications

- Courthouses
- Water Infrastructure
- Parking Garages
- Schools
- Hospitals
- Detention Facilities
- Other public facilities or public purpose projects



### P3 Models: Public Facilities Example

# Long Beach, CA, 545,000 Sq Ft Courthouse

- Private partner put in place a project-financing package with a total investment of \$500m
- Private partner will design, construct, operate and maintain courthouse
- Private partner will be paid an annual performance-based fee
- After 35-year of operations, the private partner will hand the facility back to the public



# P3 Models: Urban Renewal (TIF/PIF)

- Public incentives for private developer to redevelop "blighted properties"
- Tax Increment Financing (TIF): capture future gains in taxes in district to subsidize improvements
- Public Improvement Fee (PIF): fee added to sales tax to pay for public improvements in district (examples: Belmar, Colorado Mills)



# **Keys to Successful P3s**

- Statutory authorities
- Political champions
- Organized structure
- Detailed business plan
- Guaranteed revenue stream
- Stakeholder support
- Choose partner carefully



#### Conclusion

# Please Feel Free To Contact Me With Any Questions

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