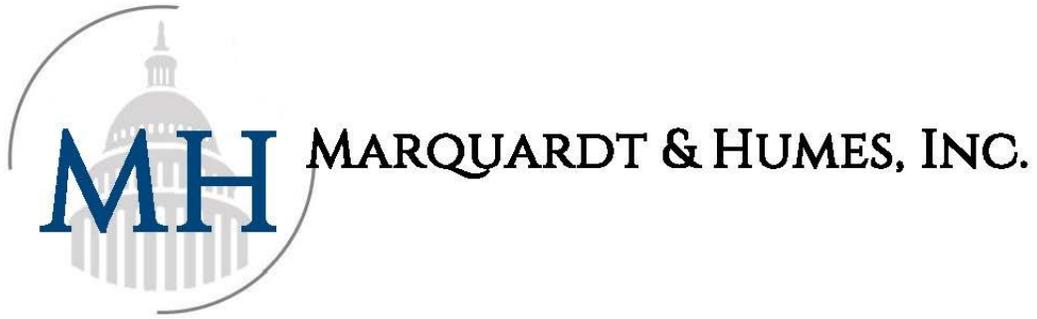


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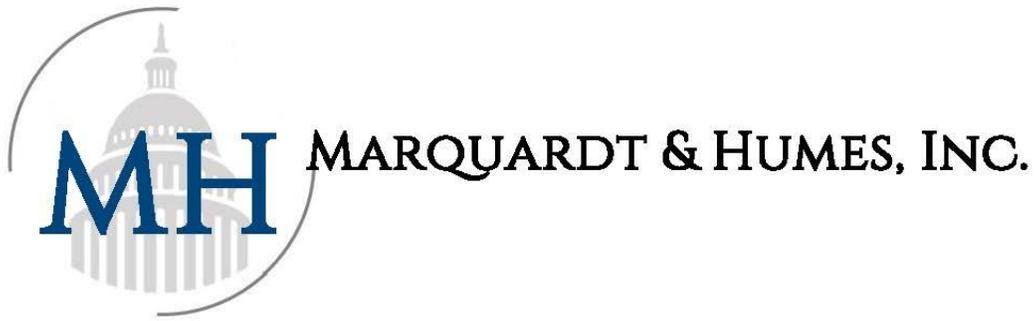


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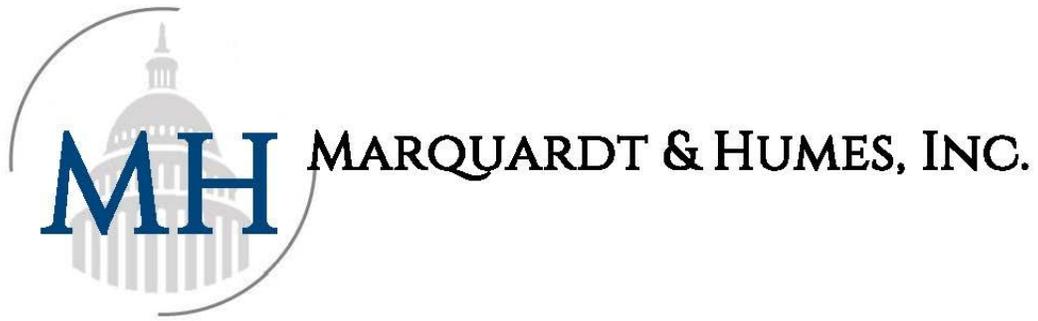
For nearly twenty-five years, the consulting firm of Marquardt & Company, Inc. has through dedication and perseverance, gained respect and proven results in representing its clients before the Illinois General Assembly and the executive branch of state government. In May of 2024, Scott Marquardt & John “Chip” Humes solidified their business partnership, forming the new firm of Marquardt & Humes, Inc.

Our expansive network across all branches of government in Illinois allows Marquardt & Humes to effectively assist our clients with their needs. Over the years we have worked hard to develop and build on our relationships with legislators and staff members in all four caucuses as well as with officials in the executive branch. Today, we are proud of our ability to effectively work with legislators on both sides of the aisle, and on both sides of the rotunda, including those in Senate and House Leadership.

Additionally, our numerous contacts with legislators and staff members in the Illinois General Assembly afford us the opportunity to receive "up-to-the-minute" information regarding critical legislation, often before the legislation is introduced. We have also invested in technology which allows us to more effectively track and monitor vital legislation from our offices in Springfield and Wheaton Illinois.

The varied employment and political experience of the members in our firm has afforded us the opportunity to develop extensive relationships across the state of Illinois with numerous legislators, political leaders and government executives. This demonstrated ability is documented through our success in obtaining and maintaining client contracts. We feel we successfully work with Democrats and Republicans in both legislative chambers, including those serving in committee and caucus leadership positions very effectively.

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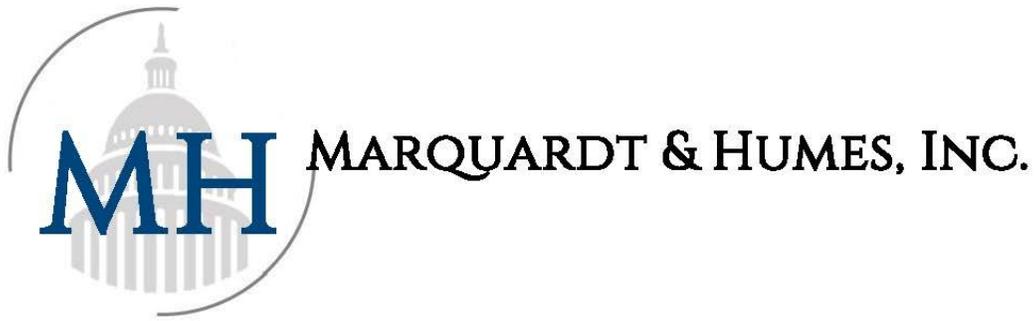
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OUR TEAM

Marquardt & Humes, Inc. is comprised of four full-time in-house lobbyists, but associates with various respected consultants to produce results for our clients. Our lobbying team includes:

- Mr. Scott R. Marquardt, Esq.
- Mr. John “Chip” Humes

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SCOTT R. MARQUARDT, ESQ.

President and Chief Legal Counsel

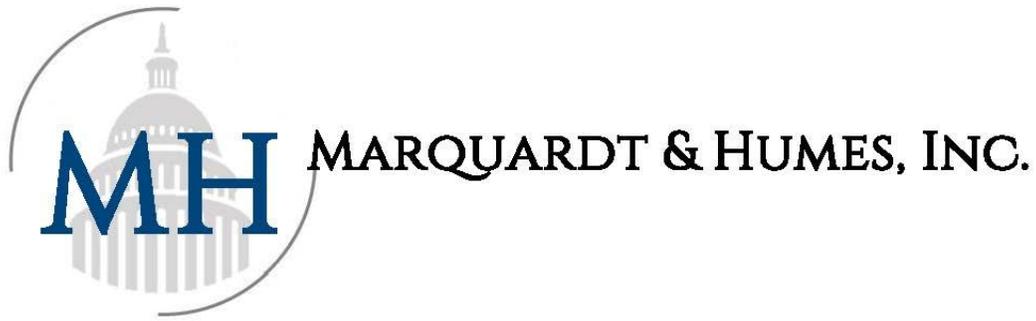
Scott R. Marquardt – Partner and Chief Legal Counsel to Marquardt & Company. Mr. Marquardt has been an independent lobbyist and consultant for various corporations and companies since 1996. Since becoming President of Marquardt & Company in 2002, Mr. Marquardt has focused his attention on assembling a team of consultants capable of providing our clients most comprehensive level of representation available.

Mr. Marquardt began his professional career as a prosecutor in the DuPage County State’s Attorney’s Office. While an Assistant State’s Attorney, he was responsible prosecuting traffic, misdemeanor, and felony offenses and ultimately was placed in charge of the unit responsible for making charging decisions on high-level cases. Upon leaving the State’s Attorney’s Office after five years of service, Mr. Marquardt entered private practice and eventually became a partner and president of the Wheaton-based law firm of Marquardt & Belmonte, P.C. Today, Marquardt & Belmonte, P.C. is one of the largest firms of its kind in DuPage County.

In addition to his business and legal expertise, Mr. Marquardt also possesses a wide array of political campaign management experience -- which further enhances our firm’s statewide network. He has managed numerous local campaigns and provided advice and counsel to dozens of candidates and elected officials at all levels of government.

Mr. Marquardt is a graduate of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and of the Chicago-Kent College of Law and remains active in his community by serving as a precinct committeeman.

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JOHN "CHIP" HUMES

John "Chip" Humes - Partner. As a funeral director and current co-owner of Humes Funeral Home in Addison, he has served families and the community for many years. His commitment to serving others and tending to their needs led him to join Marquardt & Company in 2012 as a lobbyist and consultant and now Partner of Marquardt & Humes, Inc.

Mr. Humes served as President of the Addison Chamber of Commerce for three years. During his time as President he worked to address the needs of businesses in Addison and advance the issues important to them; as well as to attract new businesses to the area. He also served as Legislative Director and President of the IL Funeral Directors Association. Having managed the Funeral Directors and the Chamber of Commerce, he gained vast budgetary knowledge by creating, managing and analyzing the budgets of these associations.

With over 15 years of experience working with legislatures on both a state and national level, Mr. Humes knows how to work in a bipartisan fashion to pass common sense legislation benefitting not only his clients, but the citizens of Illinois. He takes pride in the trust he has built with legislators on both sides of the isle.

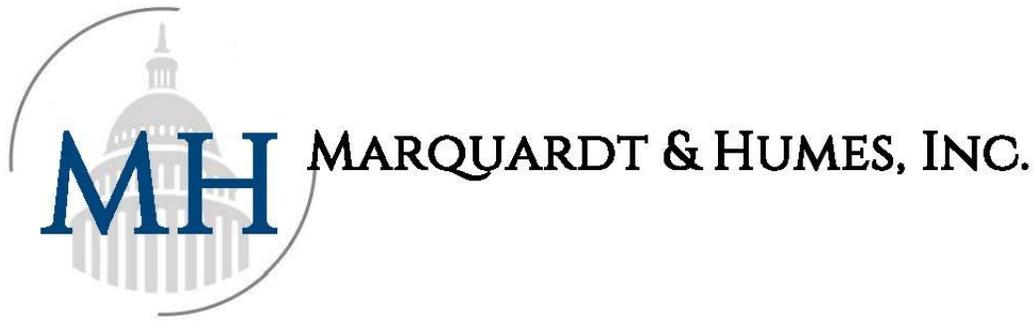
Throughout his career as a lobbyist and consultant, he has worked tirelessly to develop an in-depth understanding of each client to ensure their goals and needs are met and their issues are addressed by developing and executing custom strategies.

In addition to his extensive legislative experience, Chip has many years of political campaign experience as well, having managed numerous campaigns on all levels and providing advice and expertise to new and current candidates.

Mr. Humes is a graduate of Driscoll Catholic High School in Addison. He then attended the College of DuPage and the Elgin Fire Academy, becoming a firefighter and certified paramedic. He later graduated from Worsham College of Mortuary Science.

Proposed Work Plan

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Business

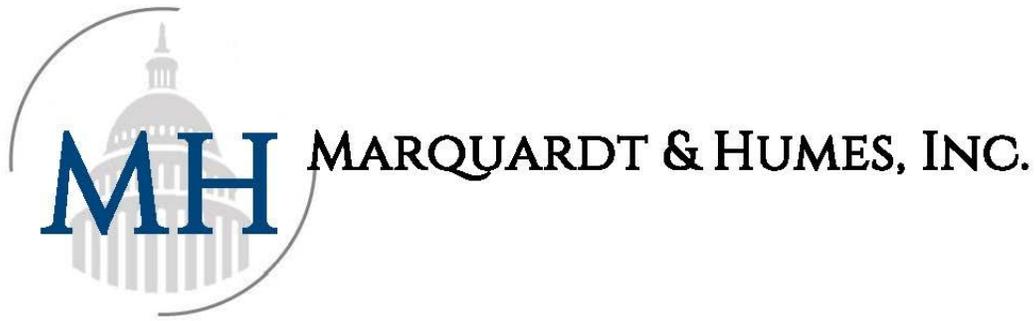
- ACS State & Local Solutions, Inc.
- AVIS-Budget Group
- Carahsoft
- Cable Television & Communications Association of Illinois
- Centerpoint Properties Trust
- Central Illinois Light Company (CILCO)
- Chicago Automobile Trade Association
- Goose Island Beer Co.
- Illinois Chapter, Inc. – American Concrete Pavement Association
- Illinois Propane Gas Association
- Illinois Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners Foundation
- Metropolitan Township Association
- TYCO Electronics Association
- Waste Management

Civic

- The AIDS Foundation of Chicago
- National Safety Council

Education

- Illinois High Schools Association
- Loyola University Chicago
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- College of DuPage
- Worsham College

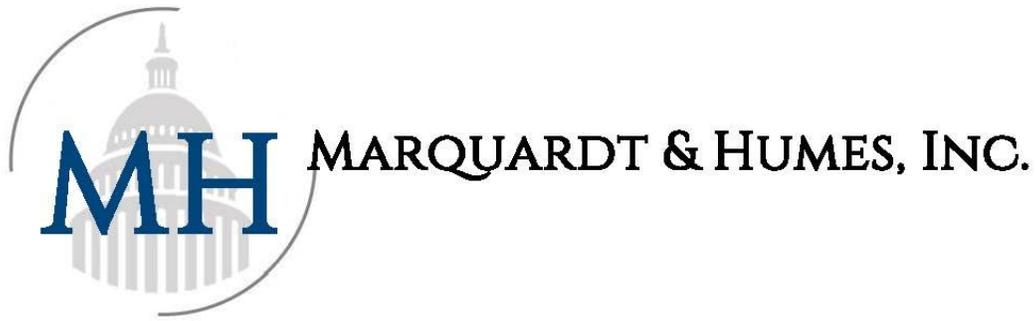
Government

- Addison Fire Protection District
- Addison Township
- County of DuPage
- DuPage County State's Attorney's Office
- City of Galena
- City of Aurora
- City of Naperville
- Village of Lombard
- Illinois Public Risk Fund
- Illinois Fire Chiefs Association
- City of West Chicago
- City of Wood Dale
- Village of Hanover Park
- Better Government Association

Labor

- Decorators Union, Local 17
- DuPage County Building & Construction Trades Council
- Fraternal Order of Police, Troopers Lodge, Local 41
- Machinery Movers, Riggers & Erectors Union, Local 136
- Metropolitan Alliance of Police
- United Steelworkers Union, Local 17
- Paramedic Services of Illinois
- Illinois Merritt Commission

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Health Care

- CVS Health/Aetna
- Lilly USA
- Loyola University Medical Center
- McKesson Health Solutions

Professional

- Forensic Services Retirement Initiative
- Illinois Athletic Trainers Association
- Illinois Funeral Directors Association
- Illinois Polygraph Society

Transportation

- Central Illinois Regional Airport
- DuPage Airport Authority
- Illinois Public Airports Association

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