

Short Bio for Michael J. Shiffer

Dr. Michael J. Shiffer is the Vice President for Planning at MTA Metro-North Railroad. There, oversees the Long-Range, Capital and Operations Planning functions of one of the nation's busiest commuter railroads. A Chicago native, Dr. Shiffer has developed strong bonds of collaborative planning between the public, private and academic sectors that he started while on faculty at MIT and continued with his public sector work.

Shiffer is formerly Executive Vice President for Planning and Policy at TransLink (the transportation authority for the greater Vancouver, BC region). Shiffer is also formerly Vice President for Planning and Development at the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA). Prior to his public service, Shiffer was a Professor of Urban Planning and Policy at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Dr. Shiffer also served for nine years at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology as a Principal Research Scientist and Lecturer in Urban Studies and Planning. His former students have moved on to positions of leadership and responsibility in the public, private and academic sectors around the world.

The long range focus of his research and professional work has centered on leveraging emerging technologies to support planning and strategic decision-making. He holds a PhD and MUP in Regional Planning from the University of Illinois.

James M. Zullo, AICP, CAPP

Jim Zullo serves as Vice President of Timothy Haahs & Associates, Inc. (TimHaahs) New Brunswick, NJ office. TimHaahs is a multi-disciplined engineering, architecture, and consulting firm that specializes in the planning, design, and restoration of parking and mixed-use structures. Jim also serves as the firm's section leader for transit oriented development projects.

Prior to joining TimHaahs, Jim served as Senior Director of Real Estate and Economic Development for New Jersey Transit, the third largest transit system in the United States. In this position Jim was responsible for the management of the agency's real estate assets, including the implementation of transit oriented development initiatives and the supervision of the agency's 25,000 space commuter parking system. Most recently, Jim had served as the Executive Director of Elijah's Promise, a nonprofit that "harnesses the power of food to break the cycle of poverty, alleviate hunger, and change lives." Jim has also served as Vice President of the New Brunswick Development Corporation, one of the state's premier nonprofit, urban development companies, and as Executive Director of the New Brunswick Parking Authority (NBPA) where he guided a 100 percent expansion of the city's parking system.

Jim received a BA from Tulane University and a Masters in City and Regional Planning (MCRP) from Rutgers University. Jim is a Certified Planner (AICP), a Certified Administrator of Public Parking (CAPP) and a Leadership in Environmental Design Accredited Professional (LEED AP).

Jim is actively involved with the International Parking Institute. He also is a member of the American Planning Association, New Jersey Parking Institute, New York State Parking Association, New Brunswick Special Improvement District, and the Urban Land Institute.

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Juris Doctor, June 2004

Experience **Harris Beach, PLLC, White Plains, NY**
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Senior Counsel: Private practice of law focusing on municipal finance law, state and local agency finance law, and economic development.

City of Yonkers, Office of the Corporation Counsel, Yonkers, NY
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Corporation Counsel/First Deputy Corporation Counsel/General Counsel: Provide legal counsel to the Mayor, City Council, Board of Trustees, Superintendent of Schools, commissioners, city personnel, and city boards on a variety of matters related to policy, procedure, contracts and the daily operation of the municipal government and school district. Manage a staff of twenty five attorneys/support staff and an annual operating budget of over \$4,000,000. Responsible for addressing and coordinating litigation brought against or on behalf of the city and school district, including civil rights, labor and employment, contract, personal injury and other municipal matters. Work with staff and outside counsel to develop and implement litigation strategies and training modules. Draft and negotiate state and local legislation, settlement agreements, policies, procedures, protocols, contracts, and pleadings. Supervise and handle sensitive special assignments related to education, investigations, economic development, labor and employment, and collective bargaining.

New York State Office of Court Administration, White Plains, NY
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Georges Jacquemart, P.E.,AICP

Mr. Jacquemart is a principal at BFJ Planning responsible for the firm's transportation work. He has worked for over 40 years in the fields of transportation planning and traffic engineering acting as consultant to governments, institutions and private organizations all over the world. His areas of expertise include multi-modal transportation planning, transit planning, parking, integrating transportation and land-use strategies, pedestrian circulation and safety, and traffic calming. Mr. Jacquemart wrote "Modern Roundabout Practice in the United States" for the National Research Council, Transportation Research Board in 1998 and he is a co-author of the Roundabout Guide published in 2000 by the Federal Highway Administration. He has written peer reviewed articles on pedestrian safety, roundabouts, transportation characteristics of mixed-use developments and shared parking. He was a Visiting Assistant Professor at New York University (2002 through 2008) and at Pratt Institute (1996 through 2017), where he taught Transportation Planning.