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St. Louis County
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Education:

- Washington University
School of Law
 - Juris Doctor
- Eastman School of Music
 - Cleveland Quartet
Fellowship
- University of Michigan
 - Master of Music
 - Bachelor of Music

Civic & Community Involvement:

- Board of trustees and
president
 - The Wilson School
- Accomplished cellist
- Missouri Bar Association

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Andrew Ruben serves as general counsel to St. Louis County Economic Council as well as counsel to its board of directors and the governing boards of the other entities under its umbrella.

In this role, Ruben coordinates the legal services vital to the Economic Council's various projects and is essential to the organization's goal of promoting sustainable economic development projects. Ruben brings to his work a comprehensive knowledge of federal, state and municipal laws – particularly those relating to economic development, financing tools, contracts, lending, and real estate – allowing the organization to effectively and efficiently deliver its services and programs.

Ruben also serves as senior vice president of the Real Estate and Community Development Division, where he oversees regional real estate projects through the Economic Council, St. Louis County Port Authority and Land Clearance for Redevelopment Authority.

Prior to joining the Economic Council, Ruben spent 10 years in private practice at Bryan Cave LLP and Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP, where he worked for the region's largest companies in the areas of real estate development and acquisitions, general corporate law, corporate finance and securities, commercial litigation and arbitration, project finance and complex commercial construction. He has extensive international deal experience, counseling clients with respect to real estate development projects in Canada, Mexico and the European Union.

Prior to attending law school, Ruben was a professional cellist and performed over 300 chamber music concerts around the world as a founding member and cellist of the Rackham String Quartet.

St. Louis County Economic Council serves as the county's economic development agency, driving growth and prosperity in the most economically important county in Missouri. As the only economic development agency in the state to hold the esteemed Accredited Economic Development Organization from the International Economic Development Council, it provides a broad range of services through its six divisions: business development, business finance, economic development collaborative, real estate and community development, St. Louis Enterprise Centers, and World Trade Center St. Louis.

