



D.J. Smith

Professional Experience

D. J. Smith is founder and President of Smith, Watts & Martinez, LLC., a full service advocacy and consulting firm specializing in transportation, energy, resource and local government work. These services include consulting and advocacy on the cost and availability of energy, and the development and implementation of plans, programs and policies to better utilize public and private transportation infrastructure. The firm assists clients with strategies that enable them to capture additional resources for and expedite implementation of major infrastructure programs.

The firm also acts as a strategic advisor on environmental, financial, political and community processes and issues related to implementation of energy and transportation programs. The firm has also developed a specialization on local government fiscal issues in recent years. Clients include major manufacturers, private energy, residential and commercial developers, city and county governments, and regional transportation authorities throughout California and the West.

Prior to establishing the firm in 1981, Mr. Smith was District Manager of Public Affairs, Pacific Coast Division for Bethlehem Steel Corporation (1979-81); Chief Consultant to the California State Assembly Committee on Transportation (1975-79) and he began his professional career in various management positions in the Office of the Secretary of the U. S. Department of Transportation in Washington D. C. (1971-75).

In 1969, Mr. Smith graduated from the American University, School of Government and Public Administration, in Washington D.C., with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Urban Affairs. In 1971, he graduated from Florida State University, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, specializing in Public Policy and Transportation Planning.

Mr. Smith is married with four children and resides in Napa, California where his family farms grapes and makes Hagen Heights Cabernet Sauvignon wine.