



Frank Raeon, Staff Consultant, has 30 years of work experience, providing results in both the public and private sectors. Mr. Raeon developed his skills in planning primarily while employed as Planning and Development Director for the Dayton, Ohio suburb of Trotwood, and, as Chief of Community Planning for the California coastal community of Seaside. In these capacities he served as a professional advisor to decision-makers on City Councils, City Planning Commissions, and, Boards of Zoning Appeals and Architectural Review. His background also includes working as the Planning and Zoning Director for McGill Smith Punshon, a large Architecture, Engineering, Landscape Architecture and Planning consultant firm located in Greater Cincinnati.

He is a charter member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. He has been a Presenter at the annual convention of the American Planning Association, as well as at a series of annual planning and zoning workshops sponsored by the Cincinnati chapter of the Ohio Planning Conference. In October of 2000 Mr. Raeon established a sole proprietor consulting company by the name of Planning & Development Solutions. PdS is focused on providing traditional as well as nontraditional services to both the public and private sectors. The majority of his work has been spent assisting small communities as well as commercial and residential developers.

As a former Leasing & Sales Director for two diversified real estate development companies headquartered in Greater Cincinnati, Mr. Raeon also has considerable work experience in commercial real estate, primarily in the areas of retail and restaurant development. Besides having leased company owned space, he has provided on-going site selection and tenant representation services to not only a wide variety of expanding national and regional chains but to local business owners. He continues to remain active in commercial real estate, spending a part of each work week at TOWNmark, Inc., a real estate company headquartered in Cincinnati.

Mr. Raeon is a former member of the Board of Directors of the Ohio Valley Development Council (OVDC), a division of the Home Builders Association of Greater Cincinnati. In addition, he is a past chairman of the OVDC's Education Committee. Mr. Raeon is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati, where he was a Teaching Assistant while earning a Master Degree in Urban Geography. His Bachelor Degree is from the State University of New York at Albany, where he majored in both History and Geography. Mr. Raeon has taught an introductory planning course at the Monterey branch campus of Golden Gate University. He has also been a periodic guest lecturer in undergraduate Real Estate, Geography, and Planning classes at the University of Cincinnati. Furthermore, he has taught continuing education courses on Zoning as well as Site Selection & Retail Leasing for both the Cincinnati and Dayton Area Boards of Realtors as well as the Kentucky Real Estate Education Foundation.

Mr. Raeon's real estate experience includes helping such prominent companies as Blockbuster, Buffalo Wild Wings, Donatos, First Watch, Graeter's, Pier 1 Imports, Subway, United Dairy Farmers, Walgreen's and Wendy's grow their presence and market share in Southwest Ohio as well as Northern Kentucky.