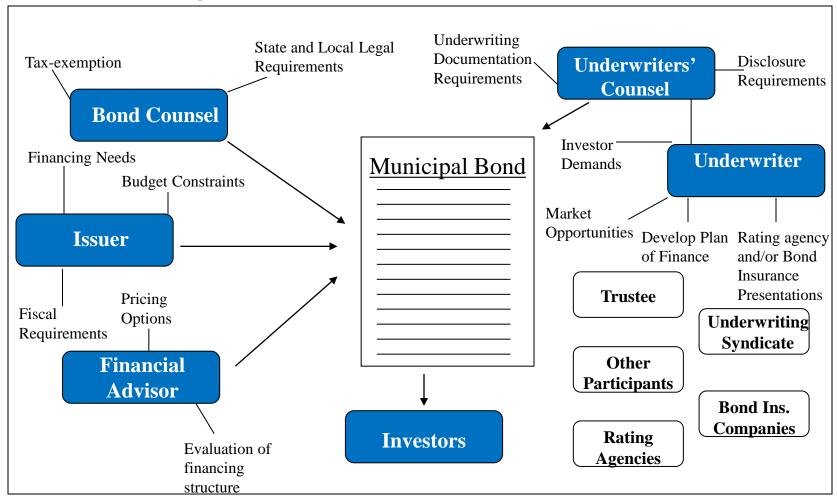


Roles and Responsibilities of the Issuer and Finance Team Members

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The Financing Process







Financial Advisor



Role of the Financial Advisor

- Assist the issuer with capital planning and long-term financial plans
- Coordinate the financing and debt issuance process
- Evaluate underwriter proposals and provide financial analysis and recommendations
 - Evaluate different debt options
 - Assist in the assessment of risks, costs and benefits
- Assist in procurement of professional services and other members of the team
 - Trustee
 - Printer
 - Underwriters



Role of the Financial Advisor

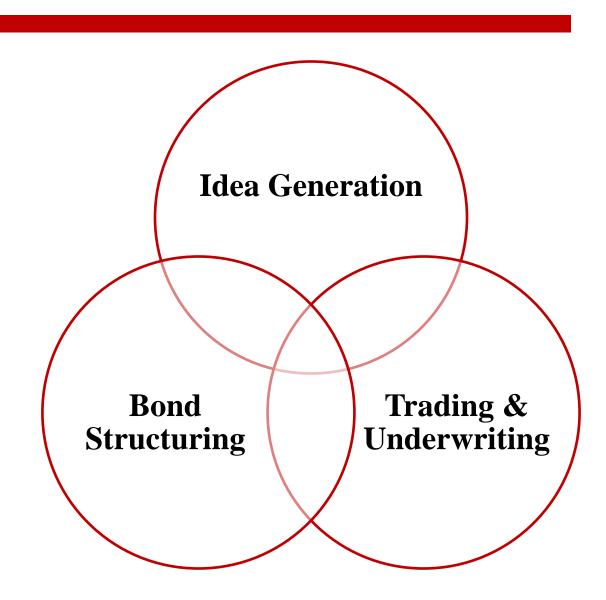
- Work with the issuer and develop rating agency presentation and credit strategy
- Monitor and evaluate market conditions for opportunities
- Work with issuer and underwriter to develop investor outreach and marketing approach
- Competitive pricing:
 - Manage competitive bid process
 - Ensure negotiated price is "fair"



Underwriter

What is the Role of an Underwriter?

The role of the underwriter can be broken down into three broad categories





Idea Generation

Underwriters are a consistent source of ideas for bond issuers

New Money Financings

Refunding and Restructuring

New Products



Bond Structuring

Underwriters
assist in all of the
activities that go
into the
structuring of the
bond issue.

■ "Running The Numbers"

Credit Analysis and Preparation

Legal Review



Trading & Underwriting

Underwriters connect investors and issuers

Market Knowledge

Premarketing of the Bonds

Pricing and Sale

Trading





Bond Counsel



Role and Services of Bond Counsel

- Need for an Approving Legal Opinion and Its Function
 - Bonds are not marketable without accompanying opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel that addresses:
 - 1. Validity of Bonds
 - 2. Source of payment and security for the Bonds
 - 3. Whether and to what extent interest on the Bonds is exempt from federal and state income tax
 - Objective/unqualified Bond Counsel opinion required
 - Bond opinion does not constitute a guarantee



Role and Services of Bond Counsel

- Provide expert and objective legal opinion and advice
- Attorney-client relationship with the Issuer



Scope of Services During Financing

- Render approving opinion
- Preparation and review of documents necessary or appropriate to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds, coordination of the authorization and execution of these documents
- Assisting the Issuer in seeking from other governmental authorities any approvals, permissions and exemptions necessary or appropriate in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds
- Reviewing legal issues relating to the structure of the bond issue
- Preparing election proceedings or pursuing validation proceedings



Scope of Services During Financing

- Reviewing or preparing those sections of the official statement that elate to the bonds, financing documents, bond counsel opinion and tax exemption
- Assisting the Issuer in presenting information to bond rating organizations and credit enhancement providers relating to legal issues affecting the issuance of the Bonds
- Reviewing or preparing the Notice of Sale or Bond Purchase Contract for the Bonds and reviewing or drafting the continuing disclosure undertaking of the Issuer
- Post issuance advice
 - Representation in the event of IRS audits or SEC investigations
 - Bond covenant compliance



Disclosure Counsel

Role of Disclosure Counsel

- Represents Issuer
- vs. Underwriter's counsel

Securities Act of 1933 ('33 Act)

Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ('34 Act)

SEC Rule 15c2-12

SEC Rule 10b-5

'33 Act

- Registration
 - Exemption for munis
- Anti-Fraud

'34 Act

- Purpose
- Anti-Fraud
 - -Section 10(b) & Rule 10b-5
- Rule 15c2-12

Anti-Fraud

Material Facts

* See Appendix for more detailed information.

Rule 15c2-12

- New Issue (POS/FOS)
- Continuing Disclosure
 - Annual reporting
 - Events reporting

^{*} See Appendix for more detailed information.

Rule 15c2-12 (cont'd)

14 Significant Events

- Principal and interest payment delinquencies
- Non-payment related defaults, <u>if material</u>
- Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties
- Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties
- Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform
- Adverse tax opinions or events affecting the tax-exemption
- Modifications to rights of security holders, <u>if material</u>
- Bond calls, <u>if material</u>, and tender offers
- Defeasances
- Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the securities, <u>if</u> material
- Rating changes
- Bankruptcy or insolvency of Issuer
- Merger or consolidation, <u>if material</u>
- Appointments of successor or additional trustee, <u>if material</u>

Other Financing Team Members

- Feasibility Consultant Provide opinion as to the economic feasibility of a project
- **Registrar/Trustee** Plays a fiduciary role as representative of the bondholders
- Rating Agencies Provide publicly available ratings (assessment) of credit quality
- Credit Enhancement Provider Guarantee the timely payment of principal and interest on the bonds

