



## **BIO OF ROBERT FULTON DASHIELL**

### **Robert Fulton Dashiell Of Counsel/Attorney at Law**

Robert joined Harris Jones & Malone, LLC from the Office of Robert Fulton Dashiell, Esquire, P.A. Mr. Dashiell's practice is concentrated in labor law, real estate development, government procurement, construction law, general corporate law, civil litigation, and business finance. Mr. Dashiell is regarded as an expert in Baltimore City procurement matters, in connection with which he has made numerous appearances before the Board of Estimates over the last 26 years. His expertise in procurement extends to matters before the State Board of Contract Appeals as well as the Board of Public Works. His consultation on such matters is frequently requested by other attorneys.

Before establishing his own firm, Dashiell was a partner with the law firms of Cummings and Dashiell (1993-1996), Cummings, Smith, and Dashiell (1991-1993) and Wartzman, Omansky, Blibaum & Simmons, P.A. (1986-1991). During his time with Wartzman, Omansky, Blibaum & Simmons he served as a lobbyist for Philip Morris USA, Inc. He was of counsel to the firm of Shapiro and Olander between April 1985 and July 1986. Previously, Dashiell was a partner at Singleton, Dashiell & Robinson, P.A. from August 1975 until April 1985, where he focused on major real estate development projects. During this time, he was also one of the three founding members of the Maryland Minority Contractors Association in 1979 and assisted in the creation and organization of several of the community development corporations located in Baltimore City.

Throughout his distinguished career, Dashiell has championed minority rights in business and development. He exemplified his dedication to minority rights by working with the Urban Mass Transit Association to develop their minority participation plan for grantees. He was influential in getting Maryland House Bill 64 passed, which became the first minority business enterprise ("MBE") law in Maryland. Mr. Dashiell also organized a picket line to protest the Baltimore Mass Transit Administration's ("MTA") failure to utilize MBE participation in the construction of the Baltimore subway system. He was successful in persuading the MTA to come to the table to discuss, and eventually implement, an MBE program.

Mr. Dashiell was instrumental in negotiations for the development of the Baltimore City Cable System. He structured and represented the minority interest in ownership of the franchise. During this time, Mr. Dashiell also worked with David Cordish and his then partner, Bob Embry, on a variety of real estate development deals. Mr. Dashiell represented the original "Shake and Baker", Baltimore Colts wide receiver Glenn Doughty, in the development of the Shake and Bake Family Fun Center in Baltimore. He served as special counsel to the City

Department of Finance in the Pier 5 development and was counsel for the “more Parks Sausages.... Please,” Parks Sausage Company and the former Provident Hospital.

Mr. Dashiell began his legal career by serving as a staff attorney within the Appellate Court Branch Office of the General Counsel to the National Labor Relations Board in the District of Columbia from June, 1973 until July, 1975.

**Admitted to Practice:**

State of Maryland and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

**Law School:**

Columbus School of Law, Catholic University of America, Washington, DC (J.D., 1973)

**College:**

Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD (B.A., 1970)

**Areas of Practice:**

Labor law, real estate development, government procurement, construction law, general corporate law, and civil litigation

**Civic Activities:**

Former Member, Baltimore County Board of Education (1990-1995); Chairman, Governor’s Council on Management and Productivity; Chairman, National Black United Fund, Board of Directors; Chairman, Baltimore City Minority Business Advisory Committee; Former Member, Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority (1994-1999); Board Member, Liberty-Randallstown Coalition; Advisory Board, Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club; Advisory Board, Maryland Foster Children Association; Advisory Board, Equal Justice Council