

# Saccardi & Schiff, Inc.

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## **John J. Saccardi, AICP**

John J. Saccardi, AICP, is a principal in the firm of Saccardi & Schiff, Inc., Planning and Development Consultants. He is a professional planner with over 30 years of experience, providing consulting services throughout the New York Metropolitan Region. Mr. Saccardi's education includes an undergraduate degree in community planning from the University of Cincinnati, College of Design, Architecture and Art; and graduate education in public administration from New York University and the New School of Social Research. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP), and served on the board of directors of the Westchester Municipal Planning Federation (WMPF) for over 15 years. Mr. Saccardi currently serves on the board of the Community Housing Resource Center, supporting the development of affordable housing in Westchester County. He has worked closely with Pace University's Land Use Law Center, participating in training programs for local officials. Mr. Saccardi supervises a 20-person staff that includes city planners, architects, landscape architects and environmentalists. The firm, with offices in White Plains, provides comprehensive planning, zoning, housing, community development, urban renewal, environmental and market analysis services to public, private and not-for-profit clients. His recent SEQRA projects include major downtown developments, re-use of former State psychiatric centers, cluster and senior projects.

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Environmental Studies  
Housing  
Community Development

## *Saccardi & Schiff, Inc.: Firm Profile*

### **WHO WE ARE**

Saccardi & Schiff, Inc. is a consultant in planning and development providing services to public, private and not-for-profit clients. The firm's principals and approximately 20 staff members are experienced in master planning, zoning, market analysis, land planning, housing and environmental studies.

John Saccardi, AICP, has been a consultant to municipalities and developers for more than 30 years. Before establishing Saccardi & Schiff, Inc., he was senior vice president and director of operations with a major consulting firm. He holds a B.S. in community planning from the University of Cincinnati College of Design, Architecture and Art. His graduate work was in public administration at New York University.

David Schiff, AICP, PP, has 30 years' experience as a consultant and in public service. Before establishing the firm, he was vice president at a major consulting firm; earlier, he was deputy director of the Village of Freeport Community Development Agency and a planner with the Town of Islip, New York. He holds a B.S. in environmental systems engineering and city planning from Cornell University and a master's degree in transportation systems analysis from MIT. He also earned a diploma in real estate and investment analysis from New York University.

Both John and David are very active with professional organizations and area colleges and universities, where they are frequently called upon to lecture on housing and environmental issues, among other topics.

### **WHAT WE DO**

Saccardi & Schiff, Inc. helps communities and landowners reach sound, informed decisions on issues affecting future development of a region, municipality, neighborhood, special area or particular site.

The firm offers services ranging from specific plans and environmental studies to complex development strategies and on-going assistance with approvals and implementation. Saccardi & Schiff, Inc. frequently works with designers, engineers and attorneys as part of a professional team. The firm's knowledge of the development process, and of federal, state and local environmental requirements, enables Saccardi & Schiff, Inc. to assist clients in assembling and managing the appropriate mix of disciplines for a particular assignment.

### **OUR CUSTOMARY AREAS OF SERVICE**

#### **Land Development**

For landowners, we provide land development concept plans and studies of market potential, physical impact and optimum size for development given site constraints, zoning and other factors.

#### **Comprehensive Planning**

For new and existing communities, we produce realistic and achievable master plans to balance needs and resources, guide growth, and program public facilities and services. Our plans recognize the need to provide housing choices, protect environmental resources, promote economic development and resolve transportation issues.

#### **Zoning**

For public and private clients, we develop new zoning ordinances and maps, proposals for code revisions and special districts and subdivision regulations and other land development controls.

#### **Real Estate Economics**

To maximize the return from real estate assets, we prepare market studies, feasibility studies and fiscal impact analyses of proposed plans and projects. Evaluations of economic factors are integrated with our physical plans to ensure that they are realistic and implementable.

#### **Campus Planning**

For public, not-for-profit and private clients, we produce physical plans for industrial and business parks, institutional, educational and corporate campuses to guide development, improve utilization, and capitalize on the value of real estate holdings.

#### **Environmental Studies**

To address the requirements of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other federal, state and local laws and policies, we prepare environmental assessments and impact statements. We also assess the environmental aspects of comprehensive plans and development proposals.

#### **Housing**

For municipalities, developers and not-for-profit organizations, we provide studies and plans that address market potential and site planning factors for all types of housing; financial analyses and applications for assisted and affordable housing; and zoning incentives and other initiatives to create affordable housing.

#### **Downtown Planning and Community Revitalization**

For community development agencies and municipalities, we supply program management, urban design, and implementation services directed toward community revitalization and improvement utilizing federal, state, county and local assistance programs.