

*Russell J. Gallian is a deeply-experienced attorney and CPA with more than 50 years' experience in estate planning and probate; municipal law and real estate development. Mr. Gallian builds enduring relationships with clients to ensure their assets are protected and create a lasting legacy for families and loved ones.*



## Russell J. Gallian

Of Counsel | St. George

### Biography

Russell J. Gallian has practiced law for 50 years since his graduation from the University of San Francisco Law School in 1974. Prior to his graduation, Mr. Gallian practiced as a CPA with Arthur Andersen and Co. He graduated first in his law school class of 1974. His practice has emphasized municipal law, real estate development and estate planning and probate.

Mr. Gallian has served as city attorney for a number of Utah cities and towns including Tooele City, Santa Clara City, Ivins City, Town of Rockville. He has formed several Fire Districts in Washington County, Utah. His public service includes his election as County Commissioner of Washinton County, Utah where he was charged with overseeing the establishment of a federally approved Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP), working with the federal government to resolve Endangered Species Act issues including the desert tortoise.

Mr. Gallian's practice has involved a significant amount of work establishing homeowner's associations and assisting in their ongoing legal needs. His current practice is focused in estate planning and probate.

### Accomplishments

#### Professional

City Attorney for Tooele, Utah, 1979-1980

Biography selected for inclusion in numerous "Who's Who" publications

Town Attorney for:

Ivins, Utah, 1981-2000

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### Capabilities

Trusts, Wills & Estates

Real Estate

Banking & Financial Services

### Licensed/Admitted

Utah

U.S. District Court, District of Utah

U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit

U.S. Supreme Court

California

U.S. District, Northern District of California

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**LEGAL**  
**PERSPECTIVE**

**PARSONS  
BEHLE &  
LATIMER**

Springdale, 1987-1989

Rockville, 1987

Santa Clara, 2002

Certified public accountant, California

Served on two legislative committees, which led to new legislation in Utah:

1. Timeshare Legislative Committee (1982)
2. Impact fee Legislative Committee (1995)

### **Academic**

University of San Francisco School of Law, First in Class 1974

- Bancroft Whitney award as the outstanding graduate of 1974
- McAuliffe Honor Society
- Author, "Federal Tax Aspects of Variable Life Insurance, 8 USF Law Review," Spring

University of San Francisco, B.S. Accounting 1969

- Dean's List

## **Associations**

### **Professional**

Utah State Bar Association, member and chairperson for three spring conventions

Toole County Bar Association, president

Southern Utah Bar Association, president elect and president (1986-1987)

### **Community**

Toole Planning Commission, 1979

Board of Doctors Volunteer Clinic, board member and pro bono attorney (providing medical and dental care to the poor)

Utah Timeshare Legislation Committee, member 1982-1984

Incorporated the Town of Rockville, 1987

Springdale, Rockville Fire District, 1991

County Economic Development Council

Dixie Center Control Board, 1993-1996

Washington County Commissioner, 1993-1996

- Chaired committee re: Washington County Habitat Conservation plan regarding endangered species including desert tortoise
- Formed five new fire districts in rural Washington County to provide funding for volunteer fire departments
- Helped acquire funding for badly needed new jail, and oversaw the design

- Chaired Washington County Habitat Conservation Plan Steering committee, 1993-1999