



City Attorney Robert Pickels

Robert Pickels has served the public as the city attorney for the city of Sedona since July 2015.

Pickels earned a Bachelor of Science degree from California State University, Long Beach, and a Juris Doctorate from Western State University. His career began in Yuma County, Arizona, as staff attorney for the County Attorney's Office, followed by the position of Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney, interim Yuma County Administrator and finally county administrator for the Yuma County Board of Supervisors from 2007-2015.

During his tenure as county administrator, Pickels was responsible for management of all county operations including 1,350 employees, direct oversight of six departments, and five divisions of the Administrator's office. He managed a \$230 million countywide budget, advised the board of supervisors on legal matters, drafted proposed legislation, and lobbied for funding on behalf of the county.

As city attorney for Sedona, Pickels is dedicated to providing the highest level of service in all matters under his purview. He has been instrumental in crafting the Sedona human rights ordinance, facilitating the national monument discussion and debate, guiding the city in the wake of the passage of Arizona Senate Bill 1350 impacting the regulation of short term rentals, and writing the city's sign ordinance.

