A Slice of Chicago

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Slice of Chicago – Public and Private Rights: The Legal Framework





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Public and Private Rights: considerations for Chicago's lakefront

<u>Public Trust Doctrine</u> – public rights held in trust;
Illinois Central Railroad v. Illinois, 146 U.S. 387 (1892)

<u>Public Dedication Doctrine</u> – Montgomery Ward, the "watchdog of the lakefront"
City of Chicago v. Ward, 169 Ill. 392 (1897)
Bliss v. Ward, 198 Ill. 104 (1902)
Ward v. Field Museum of Natural History, 241 Ill. 496 (1909)
S. Park Comm'rs v. Montgomery Ward & Co., 248 Ill. 299 (1910)



Public Trust vs. Public Dedication

Public Trust Doctrine

- confined to land having some connection to navigable waters
- rests on the assignment of a loosely defined trust obligation
- two standing rules:
 - (i) either the state alone can sue to enforce the public trust, leaving enforcement up to the whims of the political process; or
 - (ii) any citizen of the state can sue to enforce the trust so broad it confers enforcement authority on non-profit advocacy groups





Public Trust vs. Public Dedication (cont.)

Public Dedication Doctrine

- covers a much wider range of streets, parks, and public squares
- applies to a more easily ascertained set of resources and incorporates a clearer conception of what is prohibited – relies on publicly recorded maps and plats
- intermediate standing rule applies: in addition to the public authority that holds title to the burdened land, it also confers standing on abutting landowners, typically a moderate-sized group of individuals who have a strong interest in maintaining the public nature of the resource



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Open Space Valuation in Illinois

- <u>Open Space</u>: statutory valuation for the preservation of land used for enhancing natural resources, protecting water supplies, promoting the conservation of soil, wetlands, beaches and any body of water (man-made or natural)
 - 35 ILCS 200/10-155 through 10-165
 - Interesting PTAB Decision:
 - US Steel Group, Docket No. 00-24208.001-C-3 through 00-24208.003-C-3; Docket No. 01-24775.001-C-3 through 01-24775.003-C-3; Docket No. 02-27076.001-C-3 through 02-27076.003-C-3









Growth of Industry and Property in Chicago - Mildred Terzic





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Slice of Chicago History - Continued

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Chicago Origins





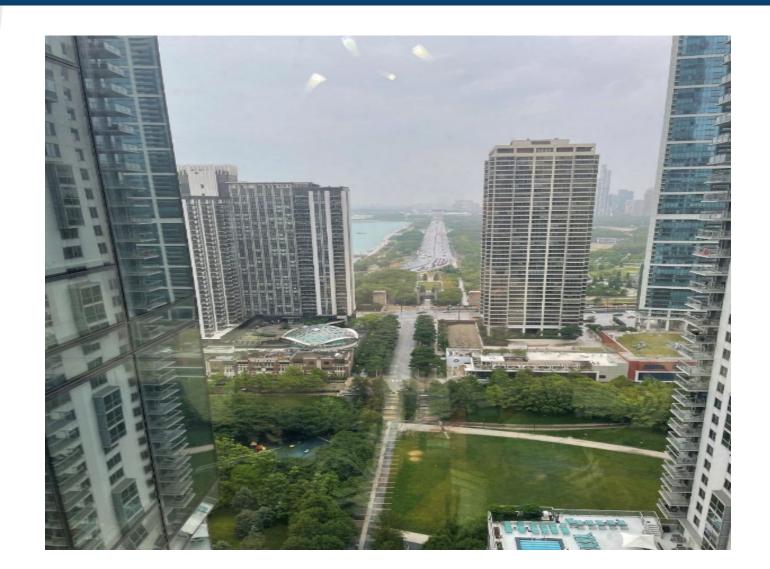
An illustration from Harper's 1871 magazine depicting Mrs. O'Leary with her cow.





Preservation of the Lakefront









World's Columbian Exposition of 1893









The Plan of Chicago - 1909



Principal points of the Plan of Chicago

The improvement of the Lake Front.

The creation of a system of highways outside the city.

The improvement of railway terminals and the development of a complete traction system for both freight and passengers.

The acquisition of an outer park system, and of parkway circuits.

The systematic arrangement of the streets and avenues within the city in order to facilitate the movement to and from the business district.

The development of centers of intellectual life and of civic administration, so related as to give coherence and unity to the city.



- Plan of Chicago, p. 121









River North







The New East Side







The Great Chicago Flood of April 13, 1992





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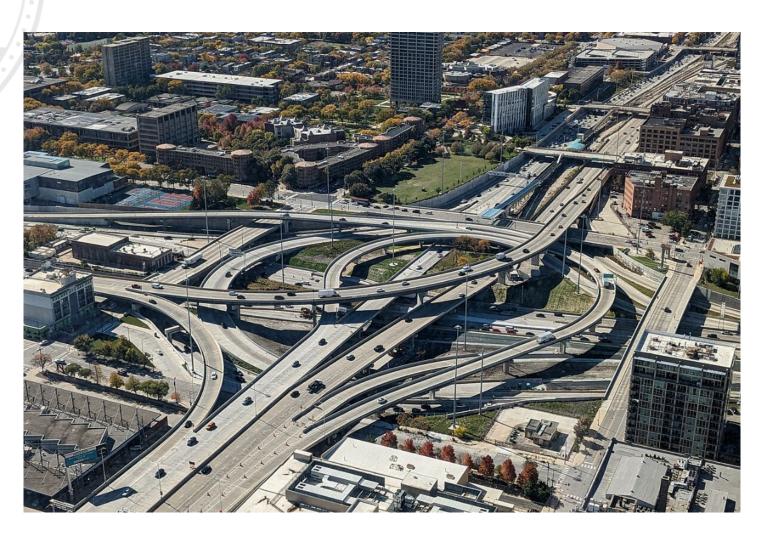
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Circle Interchange





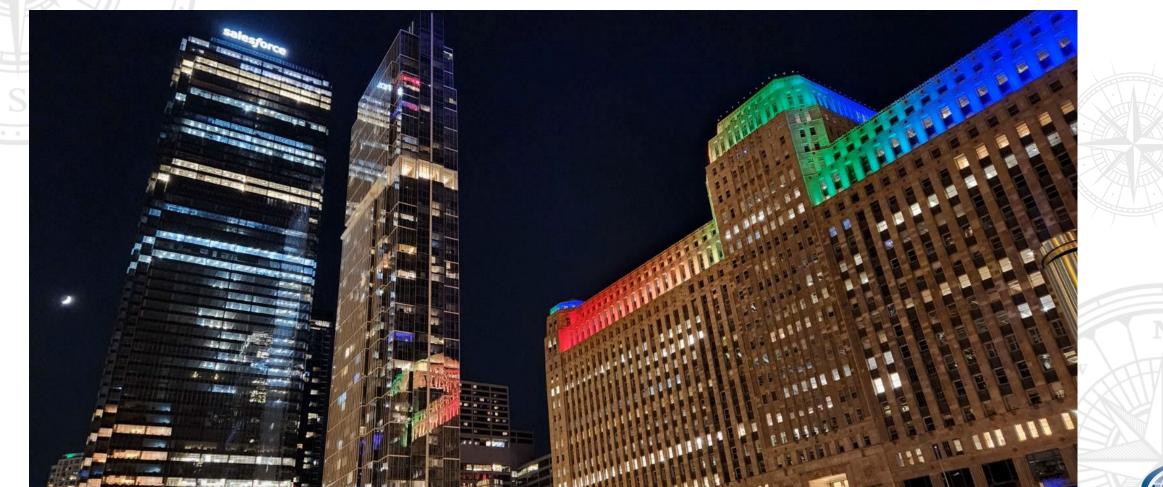






Riverwalk







New Opportunity – Google's Corporate HQ







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New Opportunity – PSI Quantum Southworks



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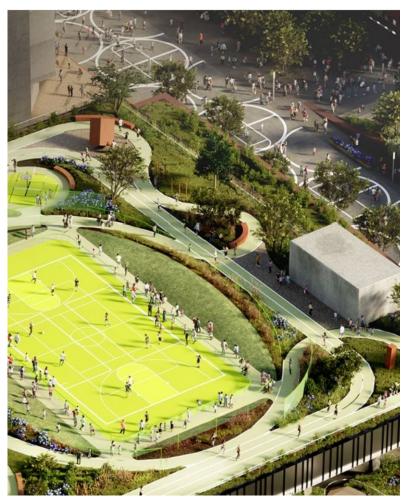
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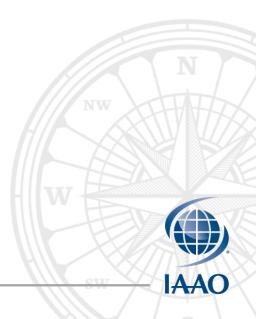
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Slice of Chicago – Parks and Open Space



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