



Michael A. Norton, PLA
Norton Land Design LLC
Site Designer/Landscape Architect

Years experience: 28	Mr. Norton is the Principal as well as lead Designer and Landscape Architect with Norton Land Design LLC. Mr. Norton specializes in site design and environmental planning throughout Montgomery County and other local jurisdictions.
Education: Bachelor of Science / 1996 / Environmental Planning/ Frostburg State Univ. Master of Science/2001/ Landscape Architecture/ Morgan State Univ.	Mr. Norton was first qualified as an expert in Site Design, and Landscape Architecture by the Montgomery County Hearing Examiner in 2008. He has been qualified several times since. He was later qualified as an expert in land planning in 2023. Mr. Norton's project experience includes the following: Goshen Enterprises: Preparation of Conditional Use plan package for a landscape contractor use on a Rural Rustic Road in the Agricultural zone of Montgomery County. Tasks included, site design, layout, zoning analysis, forest conservation, stormwater management along with other planning and design tasks. Michael testified at the MNCPPC Planning Board and as an expert in Site Design and Landscape Architecture in front of the Montgomery County Hearing Examiner. The Village at Rockville: Planning for a new multistory elder care facility on the 30 acre property tucked in the City of Rockville. Tasks included working with the Land Use Attorney, Architect and Owner on setback studies to support rear yard setback and height encroachments. Also, included in the plans are site plans, forest conservation and landscape in support of the approval process. Michael testified as an expert in Site Design and Landscape Architecture at the City of Rockville Planning Commission and Board of Appeals. Cozy Cats: Michael prepared the existing conditions plan, site plan and forest plans associated with a Conditional Use project within an existing office building known as "The Castle."
Registrations: Maryland/ Registered Landscape Architect / #3310	Axcobar Property: Preparation of a Conditional Use plan package for a landscape contractor in a residential zone. Michael testified at the MNCPPC Planning Board and as an expert in Site Design, Site Planning and Landscape Architecture in front of the Montgomery County Hearing Examiner.
Certificates: MD-DNR Licensed Tree Expert	Dreamy Skies Dog Boarding: Preparation of a Conditional Use plan package for dog boarding in the agricultural zone. Michael testified at the MNCPPC Planning Board and as an expert in Site Design, Site Planning and Landscape Architecture in front of the Montgomery County Hearing Examiner.
ISA Certified Arborist # MA-4724A	Montgomery County Public Schools Feasibility Studies: Michael has a strong relationship working with MCPS early on in the planning process of school site selection feasibility studies, community meetings through Mandatory Referral. Looking at properties from an environmental perspective, the developable envelope is identified along with potential development risks upfront based on local zoning, masterplan and environmental guidelines. Michael attends and testifies regularly at the Planning Board.
Maryland Department of Natural Resources Qualified Professional status for purposes of Forest Conservation Plans	Michael's Additional Collaborative Design Work : Residential Single Family– siteplans for building permit Residential Single Family – forest conservation and zoning studies Residential Single Family - zoning setback variances

