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Practice Areas

Acquisition and Development Contracts
Commercial Leasing
Real Estate Law
Title Analysis and Settlements
Zoning and Land Use

Education

University of Baltimore, J.D.
The Pennsylvania State University, B.A.

Bar/Court Admissions

- Maryland
- U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland
- District Of Columbia
- Virginia

Activities/Honors

Honors & Distinctions



I am proud to provide effective representation to clients in the challenging worlds of real estate transactions, leasing, and land entitlements and approvals.

In any commercial real estate transaction, lease negotiation, or entitlement process, you need a lawyer who is detail-oriented, practical, and even-keeled. I am proud to bring that thorough approach to my representation of developers, builders, and investors in commercial real estate transactions. I work to anticipate and develop strategies that will effectively represent your goals from the negotiation of purchase agreements, development agreements, construction contracts, and loan documents, due diligence, entitlement processes, and through settlement. I take the same approach in my representation of both landlords and tenants in the negotiation of commercial leases for restaurant and fast food, retail, professional office, and other industrial, commercial or flex space. My focus is to balance short-term goals with long-term risks.

Further, I am well-versed in the complicated and varying entitlement processes of jurisdictions in metropolitan Maryland, including zoning, subdivision, and permit approvals. Through my work, I give personal attention to your business and your property. I am proud to represent you in entitlement applications, administrative agency reviews and appeals, and dispute resolution. My experience negotiating and understanding the details of both public approvals and private agreements is invaluable when a dispute emerges. Words matter — And I do not take that principle lightly.



- Named Best Lawyer, 2025
- Super Lawyers “Rising Star” in Maryland : 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
- Super Lawyers “Rising Star” in DC : 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022
- Named Top Attorney In Bethesda Magazine’s 2021 “Top Attorneys” Issue
- Named Top Attorney In Bethesda Magazine’s 2019 “Top Attorneys” Issue
- Montgomery County Chapter Chair for the Maryland Building Industry Association