

BARACK FERRAZZANO

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Brett A. Feinberg

Partner

Brett concentrates his practice on commercial real estate transactions and general corporate matters. Brett's real estate practice contains significant involvement with publicly traded real estate investment trusts (REITs), investment advisors, and institutional lenders. His practice places particular emphasis on the acquisition, development and disposition of office, industrial, retail, and multi-family assets, sale-leaseback transactions, tax-free exchanges, build-to-suit projects, leasing of commercial projects and the formation of joint ventures.

Representative Clients

- American Realty Advisors
- Bank of America
- First Industrial Realty Trust
- Phonak
- Sonova Holding AG

Representative Matters

- American Realty Advisors
Serve as outside counsel in connection with real estate acquisitions and dispositions, joint ventures, and financing transactions.
- Sonova Holding AG Projects
Counsel with respect to the U.S. operations of Sonova Holding AG, an international provider of hearing instruments. Represent the client in various areas of the law, including corporate, litigation and employment matters.
- First Industrial Sale of Portfolio Properties
Represented First Industrial in the sale of a 6.2 million square foot 36-building national portfolio of industrial properties.
- First Industrial Southern California Expansion
Represented First Industrial in the acquisition of 1800 acres of vacant land in southern California. In addition, negotiated and documented construction contracts, development agreements and management agreements with respect to the development of the land.



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Practices

- Corporate and Securities
- Real Estate

Education

- Northwestern University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1999
- University of Michigan, B.A., *with high distinction*, 1995

Bar & Court Admissions

- State of Illinois

- Real Estate Loan Workouts

Represent various financial institutions with respect to strategizing, negotiating and documenting the restructuring of troubled real estate loans.

News

- Eighteen BFKN attorneys named 2012 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars (January 2012)
- Seventeen BFKN attorneys named 2011 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars (January 2011)
- Fifteen BFKN attorneys named 2010 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars (January 2010)

Articles and Publications

- "The Court Upholds a State Law Prohibiting Physician-Assisted Suicide," Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology, Spring 1998

Professional Activities and Honors

- Recognized by Illinois SuperLawyers as a Rising Star in 2010, 2011, and 2012
- Order of the Coif
- Phi Beta Kappa