



### Jay Epstien

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Jay Epstien represents local and national owners, developers and users in all aspects of real estate transactions involving urban office buildings, shopping centers and multifamily residential projects.

He has been the lead lawyer on many of the largest downtown office leases in Washington, DC, representing both landlords and tenants, including numerous law firms that have sought his counsel. He has represented major corporations, including the Bureau of National Affairs and Verizon, in corporate real estate facilities matters throughout the United States, involving major corporate relocations and disposition of significant existing facilities. Jay is also an active practitioner in the shopping center industry.

Jay is a fellow of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers, serving on its Board of Governors from 2001 to 2007, a member of the Anglo American Real Property Institute; and a member of the ICSC Law Conference Program Committee, where he served as chair of the 2010 ICSC Law Conference.

- Real Estate
- Real Estate Finance
- Corporate
- Finance

- Real Estate
- Financial Services

## Admissions

- District of Columbia

## Recognitions

- *Chambers USA*
  - Band 1, District of Columbia Real Estate (2012-2022)
  - Band 2, Nationwide Real Estate (2019-2021)
  - Band 1, Nationwide Real Estate (2013-2018)
- *The Legal 500 United States*
  - Recommended, Real Estate (2019-2021)

- Hall of Fame, Real Estate (2020)
- Leading Lawyer, Real Estate (2015-2018)

In 2013, Jay was one of only two attorneys recognized among 30 executives in *Commercial Property Executives'* "Most Influential People in Real Estate" feature celebrating those central to driving growth and innovation in the commercial real estate recovery. In 2011, Jay was the recipient of a Champions and Visionaries: The Legal Times Award, named in a Washington-based special report of *The National Law Journal*. He was selected as a Visionary Leader, one whose business or legal acumen has been key to expanding his firm, improving government or advancing the law. Jay is also listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* (2012), the *Guide to the World's Leading Real Estate Lawyers 2008 and 2010*, *An International Who's Who of Real Estate Lawyers* and *Who's Who Legal: The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers*. In addition, Jay was recognized as one of the top 25 real estate lawyers in the world in the *Best of the Best 2009 Guide to the World's Leading Lawyers*.

Jay is consistently recognized as one of the leading real estate lawyers in Washington, DC. In 2011, *Washingtonian* magazine named him one of Washington's top lawyers. He has been named as one of the Top 100 Super Lawyers in Washington, DC and among the Top 10 Super Lawyers in Washington, DC. *The Legal Times* named him one of 13 leading real estate lawyers and the *Washington Business Journal* ranked him as the Top Real Estate Lawyer in Washington, DC in 2004.

## Education

- J.D., Cornell Law School  
*magna cum laude*  
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Editor, *Cornell Law Review*
- B.S., Case Western Reserve University  
*magna cum laude*

## Memberships

- Fellow, American College of Real Estate Lawyers
  - Board of Governors (2002-2007)
- Board of Directors, American Heart Association – Greater Washington Region (2002-2011)
- Federal City Council
- Georgetown University Law Center Advanced Commercial Leasing Institute, Advisory Board (1998-2001)
- US Law Conference Planning Committee, International Council of Shopping Centers (2001-present)

## INSIGHTS

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## Publications

### Icons of DC Area Real Estate

3 March 2021

Jay Epstien and Frederick Klein are featured on the latest episode of the "Icons of DC Area Real Estate" podcast.

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- Chair, Editorial Board, *BNA Real Estate Law & Industry Report*

## Events

## Previous

## The future of the law firm workplace

19 November 2020  
Webinar

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## Chambers Global Practice Guides: Real Estate Transactions Webinar Series: Europe

15 October 2020 | 2:00 - 2:45 BST  
Chambers Global Practice Guides: Real Estate Transactions Webinar Series  
Webinar

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## Chambers Global Practice Guides: Real Estate Transactions Webinar Series: Asia

9 October 2020 | 10:00 - 10:45 BST  
Chambers Global Practice Guides: Real Estate Transactions Webinar Series  
Webinar

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## NEWS

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### DLA Piper partner Jay Epstien receives *Connect CRE's* inaugural Lawyers in Real Estate award

14 December 2020  
DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Jay Epstien was one of 50 lawyers nationally to receive *Connect Commercial Real Estate's* inaugural Lawyers in Real Estate award.

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