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Maxine Hicks focuses her practice on real estate development with a particular emphasis on large mixed-use, transit-oriented developments, including destinations for stadiums, entertainment, hospitality, club and resort projects. She represents clients on a wide range of matters related to real estate, transportation, construction, infrastructure development, redevelopment and public incentives.

Maxine also advises developers, owners and healthcare providers on real estate issues associated with medical office buildings, ambulatory surgery centers, long-term acute care hospitals and hospital campus projects.

Maxine has extensive experience in real property acquisition, development and leasing; planned communities; distressed assets; state and federal regulation of real property; mixed-use community governance; and public-private partnerships. She regularly counsels developers on legal issues related to builder programs; land sales regulation; condominium and homeowner associations; and stadium, hotel, spa, ski, marina and golf course developments. She also assists clients with site selection, incentive agreements, zoning compliance, contract negotiation, acquisition, construction, property management and lease negotiations.

- Real Estate
- Life Sciences
- Real Estate
- Infrastructure, Construction and Transport

Admissions

- Georgia

Recognitions

Chambers USA has repeatedly recognized Maxine as having vast experience handling major real estate developments across the country. Clients say, "she is organized and has the ability to see the big picture while working in the weeds at the same time. She is also a great strategic thinker." Maxine continues to receive high praise from clients as an "intelligent, practical and business-oriented attorney." The directory has described her as "incredibly knowledgeable about acquisition, development and leasing matters," "highly

regarded" and "a well-respected and highly able attorney with experience across the entire spectrum of work in the sector." Sources called her "an expert in condominium developments" and clients have called Maxine "a real community treasure."

In December 2017, Maxine was named a *Law360* MVP. Maxine has been named a Georgia Super Lawyer and identified as one of the Top 50 Women Lawyers in Georgia. *Real Estate Forum* named Maxine Hicks to its 2017 Women of Influence list and in September 2010, Maxine was named to the *Atlanta Business Chronicle's* list of Who's Who in the legal community.

Education

- J.D., Georgia State University College of Law 1987
- B.B.A., West Georgia College 1981

Memberships

- Urban Land Institute, Community Development Council, Executive Committee for the Atlanta District Council
- American Bar Association, Past Chair and Vice-Chair, Land Sales Regulation Committee of the Real Property, Probate and Trust Section
- Central Atlanta Progress (CAP), Executive Committee and Board of Directors
- National Land Council
- Board Member, Atlanta's Park over Ga400
- Atlanta History Center
- Buckhead Coalition, Board of Directors and Executive Committee
- Georgia Association of Women Lawyers
- Georgia Society of Certified Public Accountants
- Georgia State University Real Estate Honorary Board
- National Association of Women Lawyers
- State Bar of Georgia, Real Property Law and Taxation Section
- Member of the Law360 2020 Construction Editorial Advisory Board

Additional Accreditation

Maxine is a Certified Public Accountant in the State of Georgia.

INSIGHTS

Maxine is a noted author and lecturer on issues relating to master-planned communities and has been invited to speak before several highly esteemed professional organizations. Among these are:

- Urban Land Institute
- American Bar Association Real Property Section
- American Resort Development Association
- Community Association Institute
- National Association of Home Builders
- Health Care Financial Management Association

Publications

- "Repurposed Parking Facilities in Post-COVID-19 Atlanta," *Urban Land Institute*, April 6, 2020

NEWS

MEDIA MENTIONS

- Quoted, "3 Trends Construction Attys Are Watching In 2021," *Law360*, January 3, 2021
- "Atlanta Braves: Real Estate," *Daily Report*, November 9, 2016
- "Head Of DLA Piper Real Estate Team Believes In Branding, Marketing And Leadership," *Daily Report*, September 5, 2013