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Practices/Industries

- Hospitality
- Real Estate Finance
- International

Education

Indiana University
(B.A., Economics, 1983)

Capital University Law School
(J.D., 1986)

Overview

Brad assists owners, operators and receivers of hotel, office and industrial properties with their real estate, finance, leasing, construction and organizational challenges; specifically, negotiating and drafting hospitality, purchase, sale, financing, leasing, construction, franchise and management agreements. He has in the past and presently serves as general counsel and national real estate counsel to several domestic and internationally based public and privately held companies. Brad represents foreign businesses doing business in the United States and U.S. businesses doing business abroad; and is a former Chairman of World Services Group (www.worldservicesgroup.com) an international consortium of legal and other professionals.

Brad has achieved the highest rating, AV Preeminent[®], from Martindale-Hubbell[®]. He is an active member of the Illinois Bar and maintains an office in both the firm's Cincinnati and Chicago offices.

Brad is the editor of the Real Estate Advisor Law blog (www.realestateadvisorlawblog.com), a tool that highlights articles and observations of Ulmer & Berne attorneys on various trends and opportunities affecting the commercial real estate and construction industry, and is a frequent speaker on internet and social media issues.

Experience

- Extensive experience negotiating, drafting, and managing all legal aspects of hospitality, commercial/industrial and residential real estate projects.
- Experienced at providing legal counsel to domestic and international manufacturing concerns doing business in the United States.
- Representation of a Chicago Top 50 Residential Real Estate Developer in connection with all aspects of the development of condominium, townhouse, and commercial projects and general counsel business issues.
- Has represented international companies doing business in the United States as general counsel and national leasing counsel.
- Experienced in Brownfield and Greenfield development projects for commercial, industrial, and residential projects.
- Represents several national not-for-profit entities with regard to their Midwest legal needs.
- Represents closely held manufacturing concerns in all aspects of their operations, finance, and general corporate matters, including industrial revenue bond financings.
- Experienced in TAX increment financings and new market tax credit financings and structures.

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Experience (Cont)

- Represents international manufacturing and construction companies as United States general counsel.
- Experience with purchase, finance, construction finance, liquor permits, and refinance of both full service and limited service hotels.

Presentations

- "Hotel Financing Structures and Options in the Hospitality Industry Upswing: Leveraging CMBS Capital Market Financing, Preferred Equity, Tax Credit Funds and EB-5 Financing," Webinar, Legal Publishing Group of Strafford Publications (September 2014)

Involvement

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- Ohio State Bar Association
- Kentucky Bar Association
- Illinois Bar Association
- Cincinnati Bar Association
- Chicago Bar Association
- World Services Group (*Chairman 2012-2013*)

Community Involvement

- Jewish Cemeteries of Greater Cincinnati (*President, Executive Committee, and Board of Trustees*)

Firm Involvement

- Committee on Legal Opinions
- Marketing Committee

Honors & Distinctions

Honors

- AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated – Martindale-Hubbell

Certifications

- State of Ohio – Former Licensed Title Insurance Agent

Admissions

- State of Ohio
- State of Illinois
- State of Kentucky
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky