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Brett Jackson focuses his practice on all aspects of commercial real estate, including single-asset and portfolio acquisitions and dispositions, development, joint ventures, financing, and leasing. His clients include REITs, Fortune 500 companies, developers, private equity funds, and nonprofit institutions, with a broad range of asset classes, including life sciences, hospitality, office, industrial, retail, mixed use, and senior housing. Mr. Jackson also advises clients of the Corporate Practice Group with the real estate aspects of mergers and acquisitions.

Mr. Jackson is a member of the Boston Bar Association, the Real Estate Finance Association (a division of the Greater Boston Real Estate Board), and the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Jackson served as a law clerk to the Honorable Nathaniel M. Gorton of the US District Court for the District of Massachusetts.

Solutions

Real Estate

Experience

- Advised a large, publicly traded life sciences REIT in various acquisitions and dispositions, developments, joint ventures, financing, and leasing transactions, as well as ongoing operational matters at properties across the country, including:
 - Approx. \$1.25 billion acquisition and life sciences redevelopment of multibuilding office complex in Cambridge
 - Acquisition of multi-building campus in Greater Boston, followed by multiple leases with incoming life sciences tenants
 - Joint venture life sciences redevelopment of multi-parcel tract in South Boston, with financing to joint venture partner
 - Portfolio disposition of twelve non-strategic life science properties across multiple towns in Greater Boston
 - Joint venture acquisition of fully permitted development site and abutting
 historically significant restored office building in Boston's Seaport District,
 coupled with a corporate headquarters lease to one of the largest public
 companies in Massachusetts
 - Acquisition of single-tenant, multi-building office/R&D campus in Greater Boston
 - Acquisition of single-tenant office building in Greater Boston area,
 immediately followed by a full-building lease to a pharmaceutical manufacturer
- Advised a developer in the land acquisition, financing, and development of 5-star hotels and luxury condominiums in Boston and New Orleans, and in the recapitalization of a luxury hotel in Reykjavik, Iceland
- Advised multiple life sciences tenants in headquarter leases in Greater Boston
- Advised a senior housing operator in the \$1.8 billion joint venture recapitalization of a 48-property portfolio in New England
- Advised a leading global ski resort operator in the portfolio acquisition of four resorts spread across Colorado, Vermont, and New Hampshire
- Advised a prominent education nonprofit in various office leases across the country

Recognition

- Named a Massachusetts Super Lawyers "Rising Star" for real estate law (2023).
- Selected by peers for inclusion in the 2021–2023 editions of Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch for real estate law.
- Named to Boston Magazine's Top Lawyers list for real estate law (2022–2023).

Credentials

EDUCATION

ADMISSIONS

JD, Boston College Law School, 2014

Massachusetts

summa cum laude

James W. Smith Award for Highest Academic Rank, Order of the Coif, Articles Editor, Boston College Law Review

BA, International Relations, Boston University, 2009

magna cum laude

Harvard Business School Online

Credential of Readiness (CORe), Business Analytics, Financial Accounting, Economics for Managers, with High Honors, 2017

CLERKSHIPS

The Hon. Nathaniel M. Gorton, US District Court for the District of Massachusetts, 2014 - 2015