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PRACTICE AREAS & INDUSTRIES

Workouts and Restructurings

COVID-19 Response Team

Real Estate Law

Corporate and Business

Hospitality

Banking and Finance

EDUCATION

University of Connecticut, J.D., *honors*

University of Pennsylvania, B.A., *magna cum laude*

BAR ADMISSIONS

Connecticut

Massachusetts

MEMBERSHIPS & ACTIVITIES

Legal Memberships

Massachusetts Bar Association

Former member of NAIOP Commercial Real Estate Development Association

Professional & Civic Activities

USA 500 Clubs

Founding Member of NE500/501 Giving Circle

Former member of Massachusetts Chapter of U.S. Green Building Council- Advocacy Committee

Overview

Sheryl Starr has over 30 years of experience in all aspects of commercial real estate transactions, including acquisitions, sales, financing, leasing, and joint venture activities. She has represented a wide variety of clients, including banks and other financial institutions, equity investors, and owners and developers of retail centers, office buildings, hotels, condominium developments, multi-family residential property and mixed-use developments. Sheryl also has experience in sophisticated financing transactions including construction and mezzanine financing, interest rate swaps, 1031 exchanges, tax exempt bond financing, loan workouts and restructuring, debt assumption, loan defeasance, and loan portfolio acquisitions.

With a strong understanding of what is important to each party in such transactions, Sheryl is well known as a savvy and highly skilled negotiator.

Representative Matters & Significant Transactions

- Representation of leading commercial real estate developer in Southeastern Massachusetts in acquisitions, sales, construction, and financing transactions involving office, retail and hotel properties, including complex multi-parcel assemblage and hotel development.
- Representation of one of the largest multi-family real estate owners in the Greater Boston area, including \$211 million financing of property in Boston and Brookline, as well as many other acquisitions, construction loans, and mortgage and equity financing transactions.
- Representation of regional bank in \$46 million complex construction loan transaction, involving development of a mixed use condominium project in downtown Boston and including substantial private preferred equity investor.
- Representation of restaurant owners in acquisitions and sales of restaurant businesses.
- Representation of leading commercial real estate owner and developer in the suburban Boston area, in significant acquisitions, financing and leasing transactions.
- Representation of public university in significant real estate transactions, including acquisition of real property and joint venture of sports facility.
- Representation of numerous automobile dealerships in sales, acquisitions, and financings.
- Representation of major multifamily real estate developer in \$80 million tax exempt bond financing of a large project permitted under M.G.L. ch. 40B.
- Representation of real estate owner in long term purchase option transaction for wind energy use.

News, Events & Publications

HONORS & RECOGNITION

Selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers in America*®
2020 – 2021

Selected for inclusion in *Massachusetts Super
Lawyers 2018-2020*

2019 *Women of F.I.R.E.*, *American Business Media
and Banking New England Magazine*

2016 *Top Women of Law*, *Mass Lawyers Weekly*

Founding Member of the NE500/501 Giving Circle

AV Martindale Hubbell Peer Review Rating



- Six Bernkopf Goodman Attorneys Recognized on the Massachusetts Super Lawyers List
- Seven Bernkopf Goodman attorneys recognized by Best Lawyers of America®
- Six Bernkopf Goodman Attorneys Recognized on 2019 Massachusetts Super Lawyers List
- Sheryl Starr Named a 2019 Woman of F.I.R.E.
- Seven Bernkopf Goodman LLP Attorneys Selected for Inclusion in 2020 Best Lawyers in America®
- The Largest Law Firms in Massachusetts: A Closer Look
- Eleven Bernkopf Goodman LLP attorneys recognized as 2018 Massachusetts Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- Sheryl C. Starr Named Managing Partner
- 2017 Women in Real Estate Spotlight – Sheryl Starr
- Sheryl Starr, Partner at Bernkopf Goodman, Honored as One of the 'Top Women of Law 2016'
- 2015 Annual Review responses by Sheryl Starr of Bernkopf Goodman
- Challenges and Opportunities of a Family-Owned Real Estate Company
- Rooftop Telecom Leases Contain Hidden Costs And Pitfalls
- Sheryl Starr LEED Green Associate Credential Announcement
- Retail Construction Outlook Registers Some Optimism