



## REAL PROPERTY LAW SECTION

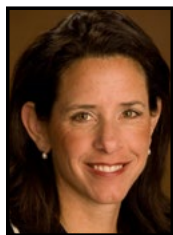
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**Scott R. Lesser** is a Principal at the law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. Scott works on behalf of financial institutions, special servicers, and private investors in commercial real estate workouts and foreclosures throughout the Upper Midwest. He received his B.A. degree from Princeton University and his J.D. from University of Michigan Law School (cum laude). He is a Fellow in the American College of Mortgage Attorneys, the American College of Real Estate Lawyers, and the American Bar Foundation, is consistently recognized in the Michigan Super Lawyers publication, and is listed among the Best Lawyers in America for Real Estate and DBusiness Magazine’s Top Lawyers in the areas of Litigation – Banking and Finance, Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights Law. He is also the co-author of multiple treatise chapters on Michigan receivership and foreclosure law, including for the Trigild Deskbook and the LexisNexis Practice Guide. Scott is admitted to practice in Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana.



**Aileen Leipprandt** is a partner with Hilger Hammond. She focuses her practice in the area of construction law and complex real estate and commercial litigation. She lectures and writes on topics including Construction Contract Drafting, Construction Disputes (Delays, Change Orders, Defective Work), the Construction Lien Act, the Builders Trust Fund Act and MIOSHA Compliance. Working in her family’s hardware business

taught Aileen from an early age the value of hard work, honest business dealings and creative problem solving. With that backdrop, Aileen brings more than 25 years of experience to the table. A critical thinker and problem solver, Aileen’s passion is in developing, sharpening, and implementing strategies that efficiently meet client’s legal, financial and relational goals. If litigation becomes necessary, Aileen brings her intensity to the courtroom and will mix it up with the best of them. She is an exercise and outdoor enthusiast, embracing the challenge of an uphill run, a downhill ski slope, or a tiny green guarded by menacing bunkers.

**Thursday, July 20, 2023**

#### FACULTY



**Mathew K. Casey**, Warner Norcross + Judd is a seasoned business lawyer with particular experience representing financial institutions. For more than two decades, he has focused his regional practice intensely in the areas of commercial loan documentation, commercial loan workouts and bank-related litigation. Matthew has advised upon and facilitated numerous and successful loan workouts involving industrial facilities, shopping centers, real estate developments, auto suppliers and other projects. Matthew has been named a Michigan *Super Lawyer* since 2011 and a DBusiness Top Lawyer in Banking and Financial Service Law several years in a row.

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**Marc D. Kaszubski**, a shareholder and member of the Board of Directors at O’Reilly Rancilio, has served as the City Attorney for the City of Sterling Heights since 2016. His duties include providing legal advice, legal research, guidance to City officials and personnel, ordinance and resolution preparation, and other municipal law matters. Mr. Kaszubski and the other municipal attorneys at O’Reilly Rancilio have established themselves as experts in the Open Meetings Act, the Freedom of Information Act, the Home Rule Act, election law, municipal finance, planning and zoning, economic development, labor relations, code enforcement, and much more. In 2020, Mr. Kaszubski was named a “Leader in the Law” by Michigan Lawyers Weekly. In addition, he has achieved Super Lawyer status, an honor that requires a high degree of peer review, every year since 2013 in the municipal and business law categories. Mr. Kaszubski serves as a speaker in many areas of law, including the complex Michigan marijuana legislation and its many effects on business and municipal clients.



**Emily D’Agostini Kunath** is an attorney and principal at the D’Agostini Companies. D’Agostini Companies is a privately held real estate developer and property manager, which has been in business over 50 years. As an active participant in real estate markets in southeast Michigan, southwest Florida and central Texas, D’Agostini Companies focuses on value-add development in commercial, industrial and residential land sectors. Emily’s main focus is overseeing legal and accounting functions, with emphasis on estate and income tax planning, family office, real property tax, leasing, purchase and disposition, joint ventures, condo work and property management. She graduated from Emory University School of Law and has a Bachelor of Business Administration from the Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan. At Emory, she successfully competed nationally with Emory’s Moot Court Society and was a member of Emory’s National Team in 1997-98. She is active with the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC), serving as the Michigan Governmental

Relations Committee Chairperson and as a participant on the Continuing Education Program Committee. Ms. Kunath is also a licensed builder in Michigan.



**Brad Lonberger**, AIA, AICP, CNU-A is a principal at Place Strategies, Inc. - President of Brixton Development Group. Brad is an architect, urban designer, and policy mechanic focused on creating inviting, walkable spaces for intuitive communities. His work has paved the way for award-winning walkable neighborhoods and downtowns cherished by residents and visitors. Brad believes a community’s authenticity is the driving force behind attracting tourism and employment in today’s experience economy. Over his 16-year career, Brad has built a brand of implementation excellence, balancing the predictability that cities want with the flexibility that developers need. He is often mediating/translating between municipal staff and developers to present old and new ideas to improve our aging infrastructure and catalyze private reinvestment. Brad has crafted a recipe for success for each client community that builds on their culture but expands their opportunities and investment profile. Brad recently relocated to Traverse City, establishing Place Strategies’ Midwest presence to focus their work on small and rural towns and cities



**Scott Shefman** is Executive Managing Director of Real Estate Operations at Friedman Real Estate, where he is responsible for executing strategy across the 450-person company’s brokerage, management, receivership, leasing, construction, and property acquisition divisions. In this role, he approves and monitors departmental budgets, establishes departmental growth objectives, and ensures that the company has sufficient systems, policies and practices in place to execute its various business plans. Previously, Mr. Shefman served as the company’s Director of Acquisitions and was responsible for sourcing, underwriting, and financing investment opportunities involving both fee and debt interests in office, industrial, retail, and multifamily located across the United States. Mr. Shefman is active



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participant with several industry trade organizations, and he regularly speaks with clients and trade professionals regarding conditions impacting the Midwest commercial real estate market. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Illinois.

### **Friday, July 21, 2023**

#### **STATE OF THE LAW**



**Michael Stephen King** is an attorney at Lachman King PLC with expertise in both real estate litigation and real estate transactions. Mr. King is an active member of the State Bar of Michigan’s Real Property Law Section and the Section’s Legislative Review

Committee, where he analyzes proposed legislation affecting real property practice in Michigan. Mr. King earned his Juris Doctor from Michigan State University College of Law.



**Rebecca L. Weekley** is a Senior Attorney with Williams Williams Rattner & Plunkett, P.C. in Birmingham. Ms. Weekley advises on every aspect of a real estate transactions; purchase agreements, letters of intent, leases, licenses, easements, and restrictive

covenants, title issues, condominium matters, landlord tenant disputes, and also consults with business owners on asset acquisitions. Before joining the firm, she served as general counsel to Collex Collision Experts, Inc. Ms. Weekley is a member of the State Bar of Michigan’s Real Property Law Section Legislative Review Committee. She earned her Juris Doctor from Wayne State University Law School. Ms. Weekley is a member of the State Bar of Michigan and is admitted to practice in the Eastern and Western Districts of Michigan.

### **WORKSHOP**

#### **Thursday and Friday, July 20 and July 21, 2023**



**Robert N. Bassel** focuses his practice on the representation of business borrowers in insolvency matters. He also has extensive experience in representing lenders, committees, shareholders, and creditors. Mr. Bassel has taught bankruptcy and commercial law at the

University of Detroit-Mercy School of Law, and advanced bankruptcy at Wayne State University Law School. Mr. Bassel earned his B.A. and his J.D. from the University of Virginia. Prior to practice, Mr. Bassel clerked for Chief Bankruptcy Judge Burton Perlman in the Southern District of Ohio. Mr. Bassel is the co-author of *The New Michigan Uniform Assignment of Rents Act*, Michigan Business Law Journal, Fall 2022.



**Angela Gamalski** is a partner in Honigman’s Regulatory Department. She advises firm clients regarding a variety of trade and international regulatory and transactional matters, ranging from small businesses to public companies and the U.S. subsidiaries of international

companies. Angela supports clients with trade control regulatory matters during M&A transactions, including representation before the Committee for Foreign Investment in the United States. She also provides legal counsel to operational compliance matters, including preparing compliance policies, evaluating compliance programs, and addressing compliance concerns. Her focus is on areas related to international trade controls, including export controls, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, economic sanctions, antimoney laundering, regulatory licensing requirements as well as general corporate governance matters. Angela has been engaged in compliance matters for over ten years, in both a nonlegal and legal capacity. Her past professional experiences including development and day to day management of a corporate compliance program with a U.S. business subject to a federal compliance agreement. Angela

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has been recognized as “One to Watch” in the areas of Corporate Law and Regulatory Law by Best Lawyers. She currently serves as a Council member of the International Law Section of the Michigan State Bar.



**Douglas Jester** is Managing Partner at 5 Lakes Energy, where he specializes in economic analysis and modeling for energy policy, and in expert witness testimony before utility regulatory commissions. Douglas attended New Mexico State University, Virginia Tech, the University of British Columbia, and Michigan State University. His major fields of study included mathematics, biology, statistics, industrial engineering, animal resource ecology, and economics. He has been employed by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, MCI/Verizon, Automated License Systems, Michigan Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth, and 5 Lakes Energy. He also served as Mayor of the City of East Lansing. Douglas and his wife reside in a net-zero, all-electric, certified Passivhaus.



**Catharine B. LaMont** has worked in the real estate and title insurance industry for most of her career. After serving as Vice President and Manager of Commercial Advantage at First American Title, she founded and served as president of LaMont Title Corporation in Detroit. After that, she resumed her work with First American Title as Senior Underwriting Counsel and Business Development Manager. Ms. LaMont has written for several publications, including the “Michigan Lawyers Manual”, “Michigan Practitioners Series, Real Estate”, the “Real Property Review,” and has spoken extensively on title and real estate issues, with a focus on commercial and urban redevelopment. Ms. LaMont is Past-Chair of the Real Property Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan, Past Chair of the Michigan Land Title Standards Committee, Past President of Michigan Land Title Standards and Past President of Commercial Real Estate Women – Detroit (CREW-Detroit). She also serves as Board President of

Detroit Horse Power, a Michigan non-profit organization serving Detroit youth in developing social, emotional learning skills through horses.



**Leslee M. Lewis** is a Member of Dickinson Wright PLLC, a former Practice Department Manager of Real Estate, Environmental, Energy and Sustainability for the firm, governing board member, and managing partner of its Grand Rapids office. Honored by Chambers, Superlawyers, and Best Lawyers in America for real estate and banking law, she is one of only 3,000 eminent judges, professors and lawyers nationwide elected to American Law Institute, and is an elected fellow of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers and of Counselors of Real Estate. She is an RPLS Council Member and Membership Committee Chairperson. Lewis has extensive experience as counsel to major national clients in strategic real estate leasing, development, finance, construction, acquisition and disposition projects and daily affairs. She is a nationally recognized expert on wind farms, alternative energy, and green building and leasing projects. Lewis serves as real estate and contracts counsel to health systems, senior living communities, hotels, nonprofits and others, and leads teams in handling complex diligence, opinions, cross-border REIT, lending and real estate investment work. Lewis is also counsel to banks in loan originations and complex REO commercial property dispositions. Lewis is a national presenter for ABA, ALI-CLE, ICSC, State Bar, ICLE, USGBC, MCR, and GVSU’s Johnson Center, an author for LEXIS/NEXIS, National Editorial Board Member for The Practical Real Estate Lawyer, and serves on community boards, ACREL’s opinions committee, and ALI Members Consultative Group for the Law of Nonprofit Organizations.



**Michael A. Luberto**, is President of Chirco Title Agency, Inc. He leads the company’s commercial and residential title and escrow operations, and its tax-deferred exchange intermediary business. He has structured affiliated business arrangements under RESPA and other joint ventures. As an

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attorney, he represented sellers, buyers and developers of many types of properties, including industrial, retail, office and hospitality. Mr. Luberto represented lenders and borrowers in various financing transactions, including asset-based lending, tax-exempt bond financing, sale-leaseback transactions, loan workouts and foreclosures. His experience also includes representing businesses in mergers, acquisitions and other business transactions. Mr. Luberto is a council member of the State Bar of Michigan Real Property Law Section and the Coordinator of the Real Property Section’s Special Committee on Conveyancing and Title. He is the author of “Tax-Deferred Exchanges of Second Homes and Mixed-Use Properties,” “Title Insurance Policy Endorsements” and “Post-Foreclosure Third-Party Liability: Closing Protection Letters and the Full Credit Bid Rule” in the Michigan Real Property Review, and “Title Insurance for the General Practitioner” in the Michigan Bar Journal.



**Kelly A. Myers** is the Managing Member of Myers & Myers, PLLC. She has a comprehensive real estate and business practice. Kelly represents investors, lenders, developers, owners, and operators in all aspects of commercial real estate transactions and litigation. She

also counsels corporate and business clients in business entity formation, joint ventures, succession planning, acquisitions and sales, and financing transactions. Kelly serves on the Board of Directors of Fentura Financial, Inc. and The State Bank. She was appointed to the Michigan Land Title Standards Committee in 2008 and served as Secretary from 2017 – 2021. Kelly was elected Chair of the Committee in 2021. She is an avid volunteer in her community, serving on various boards and lending her voice and experience as a presenter before various professional consortiums. Kelly enjoys spending time with her family and doodles, traveling, and skiing.

**David E. Pierson** practices in the areas of real estate and land use, representing developers and statewide associations including participation as amicus curiae in land use and real property cases and counsel in the Michigan legislature. He participated in the negotiation and drafting of the Land Division Act, conditional zoning,

the 2005 Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Critical Dunes Act amendments, and current and past bills addressing short-term rentals and the Marketable Record Title Act. Mr. Pierson is Past Chair of the Real Property Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan and chaired its Zoning and Land Use Committee, 2004 to 2015. He has presented seminars around the state for ICLE, the Michigan REALTORS®, and municipal officials.



**John Polderman** is a member of the Receivership Practice Group at Simon PLC where his practice focuses on asset disposition and creditors’ rights. He specializes in the areas of receivership and collections in civil, family and business cases. John has been involved

in over 400 receivership cases over the past 17 years, and during that time has managed and transitioned numerous assets. These have included apartment buildings, gas stations, commercial and industrial buildings, restaurants and bars, liquor licenses, vacant land, homeowners associations, shopping centers, bowling alleys, mobile home parks, doctors’ offices, a health care staffing company and a cannabis facility. John handles all aspects of the administration, sale, wind-down and transfer of receivership assets, including the recovery of voidable transfers, the claims disposition process, the distribution process, and following distribution, the closing of the receivership.

**Keith A. Schofner**, is a principal at Lambert Leser, a full-service law firm located in Troy, Michigan, that focuses primarily on business-related matters, including mergers/acquisitions, business formation, restructuring and bankruptcy matters. The firm also has a significant estate planning practice through its division, Axis Estate Planning. Mr. Schofner graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from Hanover College in 1985 and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Dayton School of Law in 1988. Mr. Schofner is admitted to practice law in the State of Michigan and in the State of Indiana. He is also admitted to practice law before the United States District Courts and Bankruptcy Courts for the Eastern and Western Districts of Michigan, as well as the United States District Courts for the Northern and Southern



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District of Indiana. Mr. Schofner has also been admitted, on a pro hac vice basis, to practice in United States Bankruptcy Courts in various Federal Districts including, but not limited to, Delaware, New York, Connecticut, Ohio, Tennessee, Texas and Illinois. Mr. Schofner’s practice focuses primarily on business-related matters including the purchase, sale and leasing of commercial real estate, corporate mergers and acquisitions and bankruptcy/workout matters. He has significant experience representing suppliers, including Tier 1 and Tier 2 suppliers, in contract, bankruptcy and restructuring matters. He has also represented large farm debtors in workout and bankruptcy matters. Mr. Schofner has spoken at numerous seminars and has published various articles. Mr. Schofner is a contributor to the Bankruptcy Exemption Manual published by Thomson Reuters where he has authored the appendix on Michigan specific bankruptcy exemptions. He is currently a Co-Chair of the Bankruptcy Committee of the State Bar of Michigan Real Property Law Section. Mr. Schofner has been recognized as a Super Lawyer, a Top Lawyer by DBusiness Magazine and Lawyers of Distinction. He is also a member of the American Academy of Estate Planning Attorneys.



**Frank Simon** is the founding and Managing Member of Simon PLC Attorneys & Counselors, whose practices areas include Receiverships; Litigation; Foreclosure; Collections; Creditors Rights; Workouts; Loan Documentation; Fraud and Negotiable Instrument Law;

Retail/Operations based Litigation; and is certified to document 504 loans. He is admitted to practice in Michigan, Illinois and New York, and is a licensed Real Estate Broker. Simon is a member of NAFER and as a court appointed Receiver, he has extensive experience in managing/operating ongoing business concerns of Receivership/Assignment Estates (i.e.: businesses, cannabis, collections, divorce, gas stations, hospitality/banquet centers, hotels, insurance, liquor stores, real estate – commercial/retail) and identifying, seizing, securing and liquidating real and personal assets to satisfy creditors.



**Holly Zoe** is a member at Dickinson Wright in the real estate practice group. Holly works on renewable energy projects at all of their life stages from site control to permitting, construction and financing, and was on the team serving as counsel for one of the largest solar farms in Michigan. Holly is currently working with her clients on the development of commercial solar and battery energy storage projects in a handful of states including Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, and more.

### ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION LEADERS

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**Kelly Allen**, Adkison Need Allen & Rentrop, specializes in all facets of liquor licensing. Ms. Allen and her team handle business formation, lease and land purchase negotiations, liquor license acquisition and transfers, and violations. She is known for representing clients in complex and challenging situations before many municipalities and the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. The oldest of ten children, she became involved in this area of the law when two of her brothers opened their first restaurant in East Lansing, Michigan, in 1984. Five of her brothers went on to open 9 more establishments. Representing her family in liquor licensing matters led Ms. Allen to develop a passion for this area of the law. Many years and hundreds of clients later, she has acquired a high level of expertise. Ms. Allen is an active member of the Oakland County Bar Association, having previously served as President and Chair of its Legislative Committee. She also served on the State Bar of Michigan’s standing Committee on Character and Fitness and the Representative Assembly. Currently, Ms. Allen is a member of the State Bar of Michigan’s Business Law Section’s Alcohol Beverage Practice Group. Ms. Allen is an active member of the Michigan Restaurant Association, the Michigan Licensed Beverage Association, and has been a speaker for the International Council of Shopping Centers and The Institute of Continuing Legal Education.

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**Stacey L. Barbe**, is a Regional Underwriting Director for First American Title Insurance Company, providing underwriting analysis and support for commercial and residential title insurance transactions in Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio. Stacey has over 20 years of legal and title industry experience. Her background includes experience as claims counsel for another title insurer, lead title attorney for a private law firm, and legal counsel for a regional title agency. Stacey is a member of the governing Council of the State Bar of Michigan’s Real Property Law Section and a member of the Michigan Land Title Standards Committee.



**Daniel J. Hatch**, is a Shareholder practicing in Butzel’s Grand Rapids office. Dan practices in the areas of construction law, business law, tax law, insurance recovery and advisory, and commercial litigation. Notably, he is experienced in civil and commercial litigation

with an emphasis on construction law representing owners, general contractors, subcontractors, design professionals, and suppliers in various matters involving contract disputes, real property disputes, tort and professional liability claims, lien and bond claims, and collections in state and federal courts. Dan’s construction practice includes experience in arbitration and litigation proceedings involving private, local, state, and federal projects including hospitals, professional sports stadiums, public high schools, college facilities, university dormitories and classroom buildings, airport terminal buildings, parking structures, military bases, bridges, water treatment facilities, water lift and pumping stations, sewage treatment plants, office tower complexes, mixed-use buildings, residential homes, office buildings, industrial manufacturing facilities, food processing and production facilities, restaurants, big box retail facilities, hotel construction, train station renovation, casino design and construction, church construction, adult congregate residential living and retirement facilities, condominium construction, and others including work for various construction industry related trade associations. Dan has assisted clients in

construction-related disputes involving issues such as contract scope, contract time of performance, delay, schedule compression and acceleration, warranty, indemnity, insurance procurement and coverage, site access, design specifications, design errors and omissions, the Spearin Doctrine, Builders’ Trust Fund Acts, Prompt Pay Acts, MIOSHA citations, submittals and substitutions, change order and payment disputes, contract interpretation, default, wrongful termination, and termination for convenience claims. Dan also specializes in litigation and appeals in state and federal courts on subjects including takings, ordinance validity, zoning, building codes, permit and inspection procedures, code enforcement, riparian rights, development contracts, Open Meetings Acts, equal protection, and due process. Dan has been named a Rising Star by Super Lawyers from 2019-present. He is a member of the American Bar Association, State Bar of Michigan, State Bar of Michigan Character and Fitness District C Committee, Grand Rapids Bar Association, Construction Financial Management Association, American Subcontractors Association National Attorneys’ Council, and Associated Builders and Contractors. Dan is a graduate of Michigan State University College of Law, summa cum laude, where he served as an Associate Editor of the Michigan State Law Review and a teaching assistant at the Michigan State University College of Law Housing Clinic. He earned a B.A., in Business, *magna cum laude*, from Grand Valley State University. Outside of the office, Dan enjoys golf, sailing, photography, travel, and Frank Lloyd Wright architecture. Dan is a native of Southeast Michigan where he was the fifth generation to grow up on his family’s Centennial Farm.



**Brian P. Henry, Esq.** is the Senior Executive Counsel for eTitle Agency and is responsible for the strategic direction and profitability of the agency which is licensed to provide title in sixteen states and staffed with 60 title professionals. Brian has supervised commercial and

residential closings ranging in value from \$500,000 to \$20,000,000. Previously Brian served as the Chief Legal Officer for Orlans P.C., the largest women owned multi-jurisdictional law firm in the country comprised of over

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50 attorneys licensed in ten jurisdictions. Mr. Henry has over 40 years’ experience in real estate law, title and related litigation. Mr. Henry is a past Chair of the Real Property Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan and its CLE Committee. He has served as the Chairman of the Birmingham Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce, as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for Bloomfield Township and as the President of Leadership Oakland. He currently serves on the Michigan Electronic Recording Commission and on the Michigan Land Title Standards Committee.



**Kayleigh B. Long** is a senior attorney with Hirzel Law, PLC and focuses her practice in the areas of community association law and appellate litigation. Ms. Long obtained her Juris Doctor degree from Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, where she graduated in

the top 5 of her class and served as the Senior Executive Editor on the Indiana Law Review. Ms. Long has been recognized as a Michigan Rising Star in Real Estate Law by Super Lawyers since 2020, an award given to no more than 2.5% of the attorneys in the State of Michigan. She also was recognized as a 2022 Up & Coming Lawyer by Michigan Lawyer’s Weekly, an award given to no more than 30 attorneys in the state each year. Ms. Long has also made numerous presentations on community association law, along with having articles published in the Michigan Real Property Review. She can be reached at (248) 478-1800 or klong@hirzellaw.com.



**Nicholas G. Maloof** is President and General Counsel of Associated Environmental Services, LLC (AES), an environmental services, land development and real estate consulting firm based in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Mr. Maloof is an active member of the State Bar of

Michigan, a Registered Professional Geologist in the State of Tennessee, a licensed Associate Real Estate Broker and a licensed Title Producer with over twenty-four years of experience as a transactional attorney and over thirty-four years of experience in the field of environmental

and real estate consulting. Mr. Maloof received his Juris Doctor (JD) from Michigan State University, his Master of Science Degree (MS) in Earth Science (focused on Hydrogeology) from Western Michigan University and his Bachelor Degree in Business Administration (BS) from Aquinas College. Mr. Maloof is also a licensed Real Estate Broker and Title Insurance Resident Producer in the State of Michigan. Over the past 30 plus years, Mr. Maloof has been involved in thousands of real estate transactions and land development projects from site selection, due diligence, Brownfield and Tax Incentives, financing and development entitlement standpoint, as well as numerous Workout, Foreclosure and Bankruptcy related matters. Mr. Maloof has advocated and been involved in what would become known as Brownfield Redevelopment since 1989 when Site Reclamation Fund Grants first became available and has obtained tens of millions of dollars of Tax Increment Financing (TIF), Brownfield Tax Credits (SBT/MBT), Grants and Loans, Tax Abatements, Site Assessment Funds (SAF) and other economic incentives throughout Michigan for Brownfield Redevelopment, Commercial and Industrial projects. His tenure includes being a Past President (2007) of the Commercial Board of Realtors (CBOR) in Michigan, the statewide commercial board which owns the Commercial Property Information Exchange (CPIX), member of the ICSC Alliance and founding member of the Continuing Education Program committee of the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC), the Board of Directors for NAIOP and the UM/ULI Real Estate Forum. Mr. Maloof is also past Chair (2017-2018) of the Energy Sustainability and Environmental Law (ESEL) Committee of the Oakland County Bar Association (OCBA) and is Co-chair of the Hazardous Substances and Brownfield Committee for the State Bar of Michigan Environmental Law Section (ELS). As an active member and frequent speaker for the State Bar of Michigan Real Property Law Section, including as a founding faculty member of the Real Property Law Academy educational program for attorneys, Mr. Maloof is also an approved Continuing Education Instructor with the State of Michigan and has presented numerous educational programs for the State Bar of Michigan RPLS, OCBA, ICLE, ICSC, Lorman Education and CBOR.



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**David H. Martyn**, is the Midwest Regional Underwriting Counsel (East) for First American Title Insurance Company. He received his J.D. degree from Emory University and his B.A. degree from Cleveland State University. Mr. Martyn has practiced in the real estate and title insurance industries for more than 20 years in Michigan, Illinois, and Georgia. He is a member of the State Bar of Michigan Real Property Law Section and the Title Standards Committee, is a past Chair of the Oakland County Bar Association (OCBA) Real Estate Committee, and is a member of the State Bar of Georgia Real Property Law Section. He has been a speaker for the Michigan Real Property Law Section, the OCBA, Albany State University, the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, and the Cleveland Affordable Housing Roundtable.



**John Redash** of Giffels Webster, oversees and directs the day-to-day operations of the surveying and mapping staff, encourage development of new technologies and quality control procedures, and monitor client product satisfaction. Just as important, he is inspired every day working with team of professionals and entrepreneurs who strive to give people a higher standard of living through the development or redevelopment of properties that improve health, safety and welfare. He began his career and college studies enjoying the outdoors while working on survey crews throughout southeast Michigan. Redash became enamored with our state’s changing seasons. This, in combination with his interests in history, law, astronomy and mathematics, led to a degree in surveying. Today he brings extensive experience in field operations and coordination, and office management, to the survey group as well as interaction with his design teams, developers and contractors.



**Ron Reynolds** has a diverse business and litigation practice which includes counseling clients on business, employment and real estate issues, as well as litigating real property, employment, business and commercial matters. He has trial court, appellate court and arbitration experience, and has been appointed both as a facilitator and an arbitrator in complex commercial and real property law cases. Ron is a past Chair of the Real Property Law Section Council, and a past Chair of the Section’s Condemnation & Eminent Domain Committee. He is the current Chair of the Nomination Committee and the Sponsorship Committee, and is a member of the Zoning & Land Use Committee. Ron is listed in Best Lawyers in four categories: Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law; Land Use and Zoning Law; Real Estate Litigation; and Real Estate Law. He was named a Lawyer of the Year in the Real Estate category in 2021 and in the Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law category in 2019. Ron has twice been selected as one of the Top 100 Lawyers in Michigan and Top 50 Business Lawyers in Michigan by Super Lawyers. He was admitted as a Fellow into the American College of Real Estate Lawyers in 2022.



**Nicholas P. Scavone, Jr.**, is a member of Bodman PLC and Chair of Bodman’s Real Estate Practice Group. He has represented banks and other financial institutions in a wide variety of complex, multi-million dollar, secured loans and other financial arrangements involving real estate. Mr. Scavone has extensive experience with commercial real estate loan workouts, foreclosures, receiverships, deeds in lieu of foreclosure, and sales of REO. He also has extensive experience with a broad range of real estate transactions, including acquisitions, development work and commercial leasing. Mr. Scavone is a member of the State Bar of Michigan (Real Property Law and Business Law Sections). He is Past Chair of the Real Property Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan, a member of the Michigan Land Title Standards Committee, a Fellow of the American College of Mortgage Attorneys (ACMA) and a Fellow of the

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American College of Real Estate Lawyers (ACREL). He is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America 2023* under Real Estate Law and Banking and Finance Law, *Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business 2022* under Real Estate, *DBusiness* magazine 2023 as “Top Lawyer,” and *Michigan Super Lawyers 2022* under Real Estate, and is AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell.



**Ron Spinner** is a principal in Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone’s Bankruptcy, Restructuring, and Insolvency Practice Group. He holds an M.S. in Computer Science from Rutgers University, an M.B.A (Marketing) from New York University, and a J.D. from the

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**Michael R. Vogt** helps clients resolve complex real estate issues. This includes guiding clients through the zoning entitlement process and representing clients in a variety of disputes related to the purchase, sale, leasing, and management of commercial real estate.

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### SPECIAL PRESENTATION



**Kevin Bopp** is the CEO at Park Rite, a full-service parking management and consulting firm located in metropolitan Detroit. The organization’s primary areas of focus include asset management, pre-development planning, technology integrations, and connected mobility

programs. Among its noteworthy accounts, Park Rite administers operation of the Detroit Smart Parking Lab (DSPL). This is a truly unique facility dedicated to innovation for real-world testing of parking and mobility related technologies, logistics, and electric vehicle charging. Having spent over 20 years in real estate development with firms like Bedrock Detroit, Kevin has also led deployment of several “first-in-kind” Autonomous Vehicle (AV) and Transportation Demand Management (TDM) programs. A Michigan native, Kevin studied Urban Planning and Business at Michigan State University.