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EDUCATION

- University of Miami School of Law, J.D., 1984
- George Washington University, B.B.A., 1981

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey, 1984
- New York, 2009
- Florida, 1984
- District of Columbia, 2008
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey, 1984
- New Jersey Supreme Court

Richard W. Abramson

Member

Real Estate

Richard Abramson, co-chairman of the firm's Real Estate Department, has been a member of the firm since 1989. His practice is national in scope and encompasses a broad range of transactions, with particular emphasis on acquisitions, dispositions, development and commercial leasing. His practice includes counseling developers, real estate equity and opportunity funds, real estate investment trusts, investors, owners and tenants in all aspects of commercial real estate transactions, including the acquisition, disposition, leasing, management, financing and construction of commercial, retail, industrial and residential properties; mezzanine financings; joint ventures; and acquisition and disposition of distressed debt.

Mr. Abramson is a Certified Public Accountant, licensed in the State of Florida, and a member of the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

NOTEWORTHY

Mr. Abramson has been awarded an AV rating, the highest rating, for his professionalism and the quality of his legal work from Martindale-Hubbell, the premier directory of legal professionals. He has been selected for inclusion in the prestigious *Best Lawyers in America*[®] and *New Jersey Super Lawyers*[®] in Real Estate Law and was included in *201 Magazine's* list of top lawyers in Bergen County for 2011. Mr. Abramson was named to *Real Estate Weekly* magazine's list of 2008 "All Stars" and was profiled in *Real Estate New Jersey's* 2009 "Meet the Lawyers" issue.

Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers For Business, a well-respected legal directory, compiled based on in-depth interviews with key in-house counsel and private practice attorneys, ranks Mr. Abramson in Band 1 and notes:

"Sources value Richard Abramson's 'meaningful, knowledgeable guidance,' adding that his 'refined business acumen means we feel comfortable in his hands.' He oversees the work of the practice

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group and covers a range of transactional activity." *2011 Edition*.

"Richard Abramson chairs the real estate group, and recently represented a real estate opportunity fund on the purchase of a significant construction mortgage loan. His key focus is on acquisitions, financing and commercial leasing. Interviewees describe him as a 'fantastic leasing lawyer, with first-class client service skills.'"

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented a publicly traded REIT in the acquisition and leasing of Bergen Town Center, Paramus, N.J.
- Represented a real estate opportunity fund in the acquisition and financing of 1375 Broadway New York, NY
- Represented a private REIT in the acquisition of Metro Corporate Campus, a 271,600 square foot office building in Iselin, N.J.
- Represented a publicly traded REIT in the leasing and development of a 310,000 square foot shopping center in Westbury, N.Y.
- Represented a publicly traded REIT in the acquisition, development and leasing of a 408,000 square foot shopping center in North Bergen, N.J.
- Represented a publicly traded REIT in the acquisition and leasing of a 1,235,000 square foot mall in Hicksville, N.Y.
- Represented a publicly traded REIT in the acquisition of a commercial condominium located at 161 West 16, New York, N.Y.
- Represented a real estate fund in the acquisition of an office building located at 2000 Market St. Philadelphia, P.A.
- Represented a developer in the leasing of a 175,000 square foot office building in Hanover, N.J. to be used as a corporate headquarters for a telecommunication company
- Represented a health insurer in connection with the lease of 800,000 square feet in Newark, N.J. to be used as their corporate headquarters
- Represented an institutional investor in acquisition of a medical office building in Haverford, P.A.

LAW BLOG ARTICLES

Economic Stimulus Bill Provides Borrowers Incentive To Restructure Debt Today, *Real Estate & Construction Law Monitor*

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Stabilization Plus Recovery and Reinvestment - Does It Add Up To Available and Affordable Refinancing For Commercial Real Estate?, *Real Estate & Construction Law Monitor*

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Guest lecturer at The George Washington University School of Business.
- Bisnow Presents: NY Retail Summit, March 31, 2011
- Law & Office New Jersey Conference, March 11, 2009

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- International Council of Shopping Centers
- New Jersey State Bar Association
- Board Member of Commerce and Industry Association of New Jersey
- Advisory Board Member of The George Washington University School of Business Center for Real Estate and Urban Analysis