

# Michael Fritz

## Partner

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Mike practices in the areas of commercial real estate and corporate law.

Mike concentrates his practice on commercial real estate capital market transactions and general corporate counseling. He regularly advises national and multinational clients in the commercial real estate industry. Mike has over 17 years of experience in handling complex and high-value transactions, such as acquisitions, dispositions, financings, and joint ventures.

A large part of Mike's practice is dedicated to representing developers, sponsors, investors, and other capital market participants. Mike regularly handles the acquisition, development, and disposition of commercial real estate assets, mortgage and mezzanine financings, preferred equity investments, and the structuring of joint ventures. In his joint venture practice, Mike focuses on helping his commercial real estate clients structure joint ventures for both single asset and programmatic real estate investment strategies.

Mike's clients also rely on him to provide advice and counsel in a broad range of commercial matters, including financings, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, distressed investments, and private placements. He understands the complexities of his client's businesses and provides a pragmatic approach to providing legal services with efficient execution.

## Select Experience

### Commercial Real Estate Experience

- Represented student housing developer in connection with the establishment of a national programmatic student housing joint venture platform.
- Represented New York City developer in connection with debt and joint venture transactions related to multiple midtown Manhattan mixed-use tower developments.
- Representation developer/sponsor in connection with the formation and closing of a

## Education

- Quinnipiac University School of Law (J.D., 2006)
  - *summa cum laude*
- Quinnipiac University (B.S., Economics, 2003)
  - *magna cum laude*

## Bar Admissions

- Arizona
- Connecticut
- New York

single-asset fund, and joint venture matter with respect to a multifamily project located in Denver, Colorado.

- Represented real estate debt funds in connection with preferred equity and joint venture investments across the nation in various asset classes.

## **Charitable & Civic Involvement**

- Member, Brophy College Preparatory Dad's Club

## **Additional Information**

- The CMBS debt wave is crashing down on San Francisco – San Francisco Business Times, January 2024
- Promote Crystallization in Real Estate Joint Ventures: Agreement Structure, Benefits, Mechanics, Strafford CLE, October 2023
- Multifamily Housing Acquisitions: Emerging Trends in Debt Assumptions Combined with Preferred or Common Equity, Strafford CLE, August 2023
- Structuring Preferred Equity Investments in Real Estate Ventures, Strafford CLE, November 2022