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Ken’s practice is focused on national commercial real estate transactions in a variety of sectors including senior living and retail.



Industries

Long Term Care & Senior Living

Practices

Finance
Real Estate
— Acquisitions & Dispositions
— Equity & Joint Ventures
— Real Estate Development
— Real Estate Finance - Borrowers
— Real Estate Workouts, Restructuring & Distressed Debt
— REITs

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Ken is a member of the firm’s national real estate practice group. Ken’s client base includes private equity funds, institutional investors, project sponsors, and other real estate developers, owners, operators, and managers ranging from large publicly traded companies to family businesses. While Ken’s most extensive experience is in the senior living and retail sectors, his experience runs the gamut across all real estate asset classes. He advises his clients on their joint ventures, acquisitions, dispositions, and financing transactions, both in structuring and restructuring the ownership, investment, and financing (taxable and tax exempt; and both mortgage and mezzanine) vehicles for such transactions. Ken represents clients in both portfolio and single-asset transactions nationwide in connection with the acquisition and sale of properties and loans secured by such properties and/or the equity interests in their owners.

Ken’s representation of both project sponsors and investors, as well as his understanding of his clients’ businesses, enables him to develop and implement practical legal strategies to allow his clients to achieve their business objectives. This skill set contributed to Ken being recognized as a Washington, DC “Deal Maker of the Year” by the *National Law Journal* and a Top 2022 & 2024 Real Estate Lawyer in *Washingtonian Magazine*. Ken was named a “Best Lawyer” by *The Best Lawyers in America in 2026 and 2027*. He is consistently recognized by *Legal 500 US* and *Chambers USA* and was described recently by *Legal 500* as “an exceptional attorney both from a technical expertise standpoint and in managing complex negotiations.” Clients have informed *Chambers* that “Ken is extremely knowledgeable.”

Client Work

— Representing DLC Management Corporation, a private real estate owner and operator of more than 83 shopping centers in 22 states since 1999 on more than $5 billion of transactions, including financings, acquisitions, dispositions, and joint ventures on both an individual and portfolio basis.

— Representing SBLP Senior Living Fund I, LP, a private equity fund focused exclusively on senior living, in acquisitions, sales, development, joint ventures, and financing of senior living communities ranging from $25 million to $308 million located in seven states.

— Representing Harbert South Bay Partners, LLC in its role as developer and asset manager of the James senior living community in Irvine, California in connection with the tax-exempt and taxable

bond financing transaction in the amount of $473,030,000 issued by the California Public Finance Authority and arranged by HJ Sims. The transaction was the largest tax-exempt senior living financing of 2024 and the largest non-profit single-site senior living bond issue in history.

- Representing two private equity firms in the structuring of the investment holding vehicles, developments, construction, joint ventures, acquisitions, sales, and financing of their senior living portfolios aggregating over $3 billion in asset value.
- Representing Spectrum Retirement Communities in its $330 million refinancing of an eight community portfolio located in four states.
- Representing an iconic fashion brand in the redevelopment of its flagship store in Manhattan as a mixed use project, including the store and luxury apartments.

Bar Admissions

District of Columbia

Virginia