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Industries

Commercial Real Estate Finance (CREF)

Finance

Multifamily Housing

Practice Areas

CMBS Lending & Servicing Transactions

Commercial Finance

Commercial Real Estate Finance

Real Estate

Shopping Center & Retail Development

Bar Memberships

Kentucky

New York

John represents national and international banks, lending institutions, REITs, private equity funds and real estate developers in real estate transactions throughout the United States. John has been involved in more than 1,000 real estate transactions in the past 15 years of every conceivable shape and size. John also formerly served as the CMBS Practice Group Leader at Frost Brown Todd.

Other Info About John

Experience

John leads a team of 15 attorneys and legal professionals that have represented lenders in more than 500 loan transactions since 2011. These transactions include securitized loans, mezzanine loans, warehouse facilities, bridge financing and term loans.

John advised a private equity fund in the acquisition and financing of a large asset portfolio across a six-state footprint. This transaction, along with several others handled by John's team, elevated this fund to the 38th largest owner of retail property in the United States.

From 2008-2011, John served first as Real Estate Counsel and was subsequently promoted to General Counsel of a real estate holding and development company which primarily operated a chain of upscale fitness centers across an eight-state footprint.

Education

University of Dayton School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*

Transylvania University, B.A., Business Administration

Recognition

The Best Lawyers in America®, Real Estate, 2018-2027; Banking and Finance, 2025-2027

Selected for inclusion in *Chambers USA*, Real Estate, 2026

BTI Client Service All Star, 2015

Frost Brown Todd Mentor of the Year, 2013

Selected for inclusion in Kentucky *Rising Stars®* 2013-2015

Firm Committees

Innovation Team, Member

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