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Cyd is a partner in the Real Estate, Environmental, Energy, Land Use and Construction Department. She brings more than 25 years of experience advising clients in commercial real estate transactions, with a focus on leasing, finance, acquisition, and development. She represents institutional and private clients in the development and management of office, retail, and mixed-use properties across the United States.

Cyd regularly counsels landlords and tenants in complex lease negotiations and disputes, including national retail brands and professional service tenants. She also advises on tax appeal proceedings in Connecticut and New York and supports contractors and individuals involved in the development of high-end residential properties.

An active speaker and educator, Cyd has led discussions at the International Council of Shopping Centers and taught real estate courses for the Building Owners and Managers Association in New York.

Prior to joining Shipman, Cyd led a Real Estate Practice Group and served as Associate General Counsel for a national real estate company. Her in-house experience informs her pragmatic, business-focused approach to client representation.

Distinctions

Listed in Chambers USA: Real Estate (2021–2023)

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- Connecticut Bar Association
- New York Bar Association
- Fairfield County Bar Association
- · Greenwich Bar Association
- · Real Estate Finance Association
- International Council of Shopping Centers
- Westchester Business Council

Credentials

Education

- Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University, J.D., 1987
- Northeastern Illinois University

Bar Admissions

- Connecticut, 1988
- New York, 1988