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Kent Nevins serves as the Chair of the firm's Management Committee, bringing to his real estate clients many years of experience honed in private practice and as a former general counsel to a prominent capital markets firm.

Kent is a highly sought-after advisor known for delivering business-oriented, outcome-focused legal counsel to clients engaged in complex, large-scale commercial real estate projects nationwide. With an impressive career spanning diverse property types—including retail, warehouse and distribution centers, student housing, fitness facilities, multi-family and hotels—Kent has successfully guided developers, owners, and funders on projects with an aggregate value exceeding \$3 billion.

Among his more high-profile New York engagements, Kent represented general and limited partners in large-scale development projects including the assemblage, financing and disposition of properties at 86th Street and Lexington Avenue, and a major property on 50th Street. He also helped orchestrate a joint venture to acquire a fee interest in the iconic Lipstick Building on Third Avenue. In Connecticut and throughout New England, Kent has represented institutional and private clients with respect to numerous development projects, including the negotiation and closing of pivotal acquisitions, leases, financing and capital raises.

With a unique blend of corporate and real estate experience, Kent provides firsthand insight into the practical business and legal challenges his clients face. He offers comprehensive guidance to individuals and entities throughout the entire deal lifecycle, from establishing sophisticated, multi-tier corporate, private equity, and hedge fund structures, to negotiating acquisition and financing terms, acquiring air and other development rights, and managing extensive national leasing portfolios. His

recent work also encompasses joint ventures, sales, exchanges, syndications, construction financing, and complex commercial mortgage-backed securities and capital markets transactions.

Collaborating closely with his team, Kent delivers effective solutions for the most challenging aspects of each client's deal, including navigating federal and state tax incentives and programs, and ensuring environmental compliance. He represents both lenders and debtors in bankruptcies, workouts, restructurings, and other matters involving distressed properties. Beyond the noted engagements, Kent's experience extends to tax-exempt and government-assisted projects, as well as condominium, hospitality, retail, multifamily residential, office, industrial, golf course, cell-tower, and mobile-home-park developments.

Kent's work in Real Estate has been consistently recognized by *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, the nation's preeminent guide to law firms and individual attorneys. Since 2024, he has earned the distinguished ranking of "Star Individual", a special recognition awarded to lawyers who have received outstanding recommendations in their field.

Distinctions

- Listed in The Best Lawyers in America®: *Real Estate Law* (2013-2026)
- Listed in Chambers USA: Real Estate (2010-2025), Band 1 (2021-2022), Star Individual (2023-2025)
- Listed as a Connecticut Super Lawyer®: *Real Estate* (2013-2024)
- Named "Lawyer of the Year" (2022): Best Lawyers® Stamford Region *Real Estate Law*
- AV Preeminent® Rated, Martindale-Hubbell
- American College of Real Estate Lawyers (ACREL): Fellow

Professional Affiliations

- Wilbur F. Breslin Center for Real Estate Studies at Hofstra University: Advisory Board
- International Council of Shopping Centers: Member

Credentials

Education

- Pace University, J.D., 1985, *magna cum laude*
- Pace University Lubin School of Business, B.B.A., 1982, *summa cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- Connecticut

- New Jersey
- New York