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Chris partners with his clients on broad aspects of real estate projects including affordable housing developments and finance matters.

In addition to his traditional real estate and finance practice, Chris specializes in servicing clients at every stage of multifamily and affordable housing development and finance. He serves as counsel on a local and national level to for-profit developers, nonprofit organizations, local and state housing authorities, conventional lenders, and investors involved in all phases of development and operation of multifamily and affordable housing projects. Chris currently leads the firm's Real Estate, Construction, Finance, and Bankruptcy practice group.

Commercial Real Estate and Finance Transactions: Chris maintains a robust commercial real estate transactions and finance practice, including an emphasis on stadiums, stadium districts, and adjacent developments.

J.D. AND CPA: Chris supplements his legal skills with accounting and tax skills. Prior to law school, he gained valuable industry insight as a CPA serving as CFO for a national developer and construction firm.

EXPERIENCE

Multifamily and Affordable Housing Development

Chris advises clients on multifamily affordable and market-rate residential real estate projects, including:

- Acquisition and development
- Low-income housing tax credits (LIHTCs) including project acquisition rehabilitation utilizing LIHTCs
- Workouts, modifications and restructuring, including HUD related matters, for multifamily and affordable housing projects
- Finance (as borrower and lender's counsel)
- Tax exempt bond financing (as borrower and lender's counsel)
- HUD programs, project transfers, sales and compliance matters and FHA insured loans
- Multiple finance sources, including federal, state, and local and conventional sources
- Recapitalization and project restructuring

PRACTICES

Multifamily and Affordable Housing Development
Real Estate Development and Finance
Commercial Finance
Income Tax
Corporate
Banking and Financial Services
Residential and Community Development
Commercial Leasing

EDUCATION

University of Denver College of Law,
J.D., 2000
University of Denver Law Review

Colorado State University, B.S., 1993

BAR ADMISSIONS

Colorado

- Mixed-use development
- Joint venture agreements

Commercial Real Estate

Chris' commercial real estate and finance transactional practice emphasizes commercial real estate, corporate and tax matters, and banking and finance, including:

- Real estate acquisition and sales
- Commercial and retail leasing
- Entity selection and formation
- Due diligence
- Entitlement
- Construction matters and agreements
- Project and land Development
- Financing
- Lending
- Commercial leasing

Other Areas of Emphasis

- Stadiums, stadium districts, and adjacent developments
- LLCs and partnerships
- Tax planning (federal and state)
- Business sales and acquisitions
- U.S. Department of Transportation compliance matters
- Aircraft purchase and finance
- Auto industry licensing and business operation matters

PUBLICATIONS

"The Practitioner's Guide to Colorado Business Organizations; Conversion of Entities in Colorado, Real Estate Issues for Business Organizations," *CLE in Colorado, Inc.*, 2018 Supplement

RECOGNITION

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Construction Law, 2017-2021; Real Estate Law, 2018-2021

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- Colorado Bar Association, Real Estate Section, Member
- American Bar Association, Business Section, Taxation Section, Affordable Housing Community Development Law Section, Member
- University of Colorado Real Estate Council, Member

- “I Have a Dream” Foundation of Boulder County, Board Member