

## Catherine E. Van Duys

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Catherine E. Van Duys is a senior associate in Alston & Bird's Real Estate Finance & Investment Group. She focuses her practice on commercial real estate acquisition, sales, development, and leasing.

Catherine represents clients, including developers and real estate investment management companies, throughout the transaction lifespan, from letters of intent to contract negotiation, due diligence, financing, and closing. Her experience spans various real estate asset classes that include student housing, medical offices, industrial, senior housing, and retail.

Before law school, Catherine was a loan underwriter for a boutique hospitality loan placement company. She received her J.D., cum laude, and certificate in business law from DePaul University. She received her B.B.A. from Georgia State University.

Catherine is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® "Ones to Watch" for her work in Real Estate Law. Catherine was also recognized by *Super Lawyers* as a "Rising Star in Real Estate."

#### **Representative Experience**

- Represented the developer in the acquisition of a \$70 million portfolio of eight properties in Chicago's West Loop and River North neighborhoods.
- Represented a global real estate investment management company in the \$110 million acquisition of a distressed, under-construction student housing facility in south Florida.
- Represented the developer in the acquisition of a \$17 million office building in Chicago's River North neighborhood and in obtaining an \$11.45 million CMBS loan to finance the acquisition.
- Represented a global real estate investment management company in the \$80 million acquisition of a student housing facility in south Florida, and in the \$40 million acquisition of a student housing facility in northeast Georgia.
- Represented a global real estate investment management company in the \$30 million acquisition of a medical office complex in Arizona, and in the \$20 million acquisition of an under-construction medical office complex in the Chicago suburbs.
- Represented a global investment management company in the \$24 million sale of an industrial property in Elk Grove Village, IL, and in the \$12 million sale of an industrial property in Kentucky to institutional investors.

#### **Professional & Community Engagement**

- American Bar Association
- Women's Bar Association
- Order of the Barristers for Excellence in Advocacy

## *Education*

- DePaul University (J.D., 2016)
- Georgia State University (B.B.A., 2012)

## *Admitted to Practice*

- Illinois
- Georgia (Pending)

## *Related Services*

Real Estate & REITs | Commercial Real Estate Development | Leasing | Sales & Acquisitions