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Related Services

Real Estate ■ Commercial Real Estate Lending ■ Corporate & Finance ■ Financial Restructuring & Reorganization

Lauren Scarantino is a partner in Alston & Bird's Real Estate Group. She focuses her practice on commercial real estate finance.

Lauren represents institutional investors, life insurance companies, commercial banks, investment banks, debt funds, and opportunity funds in a variety of complex single and multi-asset financings of commercial real estate lending transactions. These financings include permanent loans, bridge loans, mezzanine loans, mortgage loans for commercial mortgage-backed securitization (CBMS) programs, loan participations, loan assumptions, and sales and loan modifications, including loan pledges to warehouse facilities.

Lauren's experience also includes loan syndication, acquisition and disposition of mortgage and mezzanine loans, A/B notes, participation interests and mortgage-backed securities, acquisition and disposition of commercial properties, formation of real estate joint ventures and partnerships, debt restructurings, loan modifications, and workouts.

Lauren was recognized as a New York Metro "Rising Star" in Real Estate by *Super Lawyers*.

Representative Experience

- Representing financial institutions in the structuring and origination of commercial mortgage loans secured by various types of real estate, including hotels, office and retail properties, shopping centers, multi-family residential properties, and vacant land.
- Representing financial institutions in the structuring and origination of mezzanine loans.

Professional & Community Engagement

- CRE Finance Council (CREFC)
- Mortgage Bankers Association (MBA)
- International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC)
- New York State Bar Association (NYSBA)
- Garden City Real Estate Professionals Foundation (GCRE), executive board member; Charitable Events Committee, co-chair
- Georgetown University Alumni Admission Program (AAP), interviewer and scholarship chair

Education

- Hofstra University (J.D., 2007)
- Georgetown University (B.A., 2002)

Admitted to Practice

- New York