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We have experience with all types of projects including commercial buildings, mixed-use projects, shopping centers, hospitals and medical centers, hotels and resorts, single and multi-family projects, convention centers and more. Our land use and environmental attorneys have years of experience addressing the unique issues associated with small to large projects.

Our clients include large and small local and national real estate developers, property owners, lenders, real estate investment advisors, fund sponsors, REITs, property managers, real estate agents and others involved in the real estate industry.

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