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Overview

Erin Christy is a Shareholder in the firm's Real Estate and Lending Transactions Practice Group. She represents clients in residential and commercial real estate transactions, development, zoning, and land use law. Erin has extensive experience representing clients in various real estate matters, including real estate closing services, 1031 exchanges, and the acquisition, development, leasing, and sale of residential and commercial properties.

Erin provides comprehensive legal representation to developers across all phases of condominium projects. Her work includes representing developers before the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes, as well as the preparation of condominium documents for residential, mixed-use, commercial, and multi-parcel developments.

Her land use and zoning practice involves assisting clients before regional and local boards and agencies on various land development approvals, including re-zonings, land use plan amendments, site plan approvals, special and conditional use approvals, variances, and vacations.

Erin is a frequent speaker on waterfront property issues and new construction condominium purchase considerations.

Representative Matters

- Represents high-net-worth individuals and family offices in connection with their acquisition and disposition of luxury residential properties throughout Florida.
- Represents developers in residential and mixed-use condominiums, including obtaining regulatory approvals for the sale and marketing of projects, negotiating property management arrangements, preparing documents for the creation and operation of residential community, and negotiation and closing of purchase contracts with residential purchasers.
- Represents developers in the acquisition of apartment complexes, including drafting operative agreements.
- Represents operators in the acquisition, redevelopment, and disposition of manufactured housing communities.
- Represents REITs in portfolio acquisitions and lease administration.

Honors and Distinctions

- *The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch*, Land Use and Zoning Law, Real Estate Law, 2024-2025
- *Tampa Bay Business Journal*'sBusinessWoman of the Year, Honoree, 2025
- *SRQ Magazine*: Elite Top Attorneys, Real Estate, 2020-2023, 2026
- Junior League of Sarasota, Community Impact Award, 2016

Practice Areas

- Real Estate and Lending Transactions
- Land Use and Government

Education

- J.D., Florida State University College of Law, 2008
- B.A., Florida State University, 2005

Admissions

- Florida
- United States Supreme Court

Professional Involvement

- Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) Sarasota/Manatee chapter
  - President, 2023-2024
  - Immediate Past-President, 2025-Present
- The Florida Bar: Florida Realtor-Attorney Joint Committee - Second DCA, 2026-Present
- REALTOR Association of Sarasota Manatee (RASM)
  - Realtor Attorney Joint Committee, Member, 2026-Present
    - Past-Chair
- The Florida Bar: Real Property, Probate, Trust Law Section, 2008-Present
  - Executive Council, 2014-2022
  - Lead member for 12th Circuit, 2018-2022
- Sarasota County Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division
  - Board of Directors, 2009-2019
  - President 2018
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, Fellow 2021
- Florida Bar Foundation
  - Board of Directors, 2012-2015

Community Involvement

- Sarasota County Foundation
  - Grant Selection Committee
- Leadership Sarasota, Class of 2012
- Junior League of Sarasota, 2009-Present
  - Board of Directors, 2014-2016
- Ringling College Library Association
  - Board of Directors, 2015-2022
  - Town Hall Lecture Series Committee, 2019-2020

Thought Leadership

- From the Ashes: What to Know About Condo Law and New Reforms, RASM Conference & Expo: Foundation and Innovations in Real Estate
- Certified Waterfront Specialist, Realtor Association of Sarasota Manatee, 2021-2024
- Demystifying the Developer Contract, Various Real Estate Brokerages, 2022-2024
- Mastering Short-Term Rentals, Realtor Association of Sarasota Manatee, 2024
- Inspection and Repair Procedures, Realtor Association of Sarasota Manatee, 2023-2024
- Planned Community Considerations for Real Estate Professionals, Realtor Association of Sarasota Manatee 2022-2024
- CREW Chapter in the Works for Sarasota-Manatee Area, *Tampa Bay Business Journal*, December 2023
- Excelling Despite the Challenges of 2020, ELEVATE Magazine REALTOR Association of Sarasota and Manatee (RASM), January 2021
- Ask the Attorney: Multiple Offers in Residential Transactions, Panelist, Realtor Association of Sarasota Manatee, March 2021
- Covid-19 Considerations for Real Property and Construction Disputes, RPPTL Section of the Florida Bar, October 2020
- Waterfront Property Considerations, Realtor Association of Sarasota Manatee
- Waterfront Property Considerations, Various Real Estate Brokerages
- Secrets from the Top Party Throwers, Sarasota Magazine
- Making HERstory, Panelist, Teen Court of Sarasota, Inc.
- People with Purpose, *The Observer*