

Dayna C. Finkelstein | Partner
Real Estate

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Dayna Finkelstein concentrates her practice in commercial real estate matters, including:

- Acquisitions
- Dispositions
- Leasing
- Borrower-side financing
- Joint ventures

She represents real estate owners, borrowers, developers, tenants, and stakeholders in both local and national transactions involving a wide range of asset classes, encompassing:

- Retail
- Office
- Multifamily
- Industrial properties

She has significant experience representing sophisticated national players in both single asset and portfolio transactions. Dayna is known for being thorough, diligent, organized, and creative during multifaceted, complex transactions. She is accustomed to juggling many moving parts of a transaction under tight deadlines.

Dayna also counsels private equity firms and other sophisticated corporate clients on the real estate aspects of mergers, stock purchases, and other corporate transactions across a wide range of industries.

She is a member of the Firm's Alumni Committee and has been a mentor to summer associates through the Firm's summer associate program.

While in law school, Dayna served as Comments Editor of the Penn State Law Review. She was also a member of the Appellate Moot Court Board and the Woolsack Honor Society.

Outside The Firm

Dayna is a Philadelphia native and has truly been brought up at the Firm; she started working at Blank Rome at age 19. Outside of the Firm, she enjoys teaching and mentoring law students, theater, and travel.

Select Engagements

- The portfolio acquisition of 81 industrial properties located across 17 U.S. markets.
- The portfolio acquisition of industrial properties valuing more than one billion dollars located across 21 U.S. markets.
- The acquisition, financing, and joint venture purchase of a large shopping center in Ventura County, California. The transaction involved collaboration with Blank Rome's energy team with respect to the solar panel aspects of the property.
- The portfolio acquisition, financing, and joint venture purchase of 15 shopping centers totaling 4.3 million square feet throughout Western New York, with assets featuring high-quality, national retail tenants.
- The negotiation on behalf of a retailer as tenant of its 52,000-square-foot warehouse lease and related advice regarding transition periods between the existing and new leases.
- The portfolio sale of 64 multifamily properties located throughout nine states and totaling more than 20,000 units to a global private equity firm.
- The acquisition and financing of a 21-story, 443,338 square foot office tower and parking garage in Orlando, Florida.
- The \$352 million sale of a portfolio company that is a leading provider of vessel maintenance, repair, overhaul, and conversion services to government and commercial customers. The transaction involved the sale of over 500 acres of real estate located in Alabama and Florida.
- The portfolio acquisition of 32 office properties located in Lehigh Valley, Pennsylvania.
- The sale of one of the largest office buildings in downtown Raleigh, North Carolina.

Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey

Memberships

- American Bar Association

Education

- University of Pennsylvania, BA, magna cum laude
- Penn State University, Dickinson School of Law, JD, magna cum laude

Recognitions

- Recipient of the 2018 Mrs. Isadore Kohn Young Leadership Award from the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia

Professional Activities

Since August 2017, Dayna has served as an adjunct professor at the Thomas R. Kline School of Law at Drexel University, where she has taught a contract drafting course to second- and third-year law students. She will be teaching a real estate transactions course in 2020.

Dayna has represented various pro bono clients through Philadelphia VIP.

She is also a member of Jewish Federation's National Young Leadership Cabinet and has held numerous leadership positions within Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia, including as a board member of its Commission on Social Responsibility, a member of its Innovation Fund Committee, and Board of Trustees member. She is also a frequent participant in Jewish Federation Real Estate ("JFRE") and Ben Gurion Society events.