



## Lydia G. Chesnick

### Partner

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### Overview

Lydia has earned a reputation for being a thought-innovator in real estate and business law. Her experience includes advising on real estate acquisitions, sales and financings, leasing of retail and office space and all aspects of the hospitality industry. Steadfastly committed to cultivating an understanding of each client's day-to-day legal and business needs, she focuses on solutions that provide tangible results. Lydia consistently garners loyalty and respect, building and maintaining long-term client relationships.

Her broad client base includes large and small businesses and individuals. Her practice also includes multi-generational families and family-owned and privately-held businesses. Lydia advises on all facets of asset and wealth preservation and business succession planning. She is viewed as a trusted resource, frequently serving as general counsel for her clients and prides herself on procuring the right team to meet her client's needs.

Lydia is dedicated to going the extra mile when it comes to the quality of her work and responsiveness to clients. Known for asking the right questions, Lydia is skilled at leveraging resources and expertise to provide the "value add" in everything she does.

Notably, Lydia serves as one of only ten advisors on

### PRACTICE AREAS

- Real Estate Law
- Corporate and Business
- Banking and Finance
- Fiduciary Practice Group
- Workouts and Restructurings
- COVID-19 Response Team
- Hospitality

### Credentials

#### Education

- Boston University, J.D., 1980
- Northwestern University (1973-75) and University of California, Berkeley, B.A., high honors, 1977

#### Bar Admission

Massachusetts, 1980

the Real Estate and Timber Advisory Committee of the Massachusetts Pension Reserves Investment Management (PRIM) Board, which sets pension fund investment policy for the state's real estate portfolio. She is also a member of 2Life Communities, which develops, builds, and provides housing for low and moderate-income seniors. Lydia is committed to pro bono work and actively engages in non-profit fundraising.



## Matters & Transactions

- \$100 million dollar multiple hotel sale and associated 1031 acquisitions of several properties
- Representation of mid-sized Massachusetts University in connection with significant real estate acquisition and development of multi parcel assemblage
- Representation of international clients as principal United States counsel in a variety of business and real estate related matters
- \$90 million dollar portfolio loan financing of 1200 plus apartment units in the Greater Boston Area
- Served as Massachusetts counsel to out-of-state lender in connection with construction and permanent financing of significant hotel and residential Boston waterfront project
- Representation of companies and individuals in varying facets of business and real estate matters in relation to the purchase, development, management, financing and sale of commercial properties and businesses, including hotels, office buildings, multi-unit residential buildings and retail properties
- Structured and closed multimillion-dollar financings collateralized by fine art collections and significant security portfolio

## Memberships & Activities

### Legal Memberships

- Boston Bar Association
- Massachusetts Bar Association

### Professional & Civic Activities

- Committee Member, 2Life Communities
- Founding Member of the NE500/501 Giving Circle
- Board Member, Real Estate and Timber Advisory Committee of the Massachusetts Pension Reserves Investment Management (PRIM) Board
- The Boston Club
- Barry L. Price Rehabilitation Center - Angel
- Women's Executive Group, Boston, Massachusetts
- USA 500 Club

## Firm Activities

Bernkopf Goodman LLP Executive Committee, Member

## News

- Eleven Bernkopf Attorneys Recognized on 2022 Massachusetts Super Lawyers® Lists
- Nine Bernkopf Attorneys Selected for Inclusion in 2023 Best Lawyers in America® Publications
- Mayor Michelle Wu's Task Force Weighs Reintroduction of Rent Stabilization/Rent Control
- Six Bernkopf Attorneys Named to Super Lawyers List
- PPP Loans and Taxes
- Small Business Relief Program: Massachusetts Relief Available for Small Businesses Including Restaurants and Bars
- Limited Time for Boston Businesses to Apply for \$6 Million in Grants
- Seven Bernkopf Goodman attorneys recognized by Best Lawyers of America®
- Five Significant Changes Brought on by the PPPFA That Affect How Small Businesses Can Utilize PPP Funds
- Lenders to start accepting PPP applications
- Lydia Chesnick Named Best in Boston CRE
- Companies Cashing in on Underutilized Space
- Innovative changes ahead in short-term hotel stays and affordable housing
- Women of F.I.R.E. Profile: Lydia Chesnick
- Lydia G. Chesnick Appointed to Jewish Community Housing for the Elderly (JCHE) Real Estate Committee
- Lydia Chesnick, Partner at Bernkopf Goodman, Named to Super Lawyers "Top 50 Women Attorneys in Massachusetts" List
- Lydia Chesnick: Super Lawyers
- Lydia G. Chesnick Appointed to the Real Estate and Timber Advisory Committee of the Massachusetts Pension Reserves Investment Management Board
- Lydia Chesnick, Partner at Bernkopf Goodman, Honored As One Of The 'Top Women Of Law 2015'
- Professional Profile: Lydia Chesnick 2016
- Brookline resident and partner at Boston law firm honored with Top Women of Law award
- Lydia Chesnick, Partner at Bernkopf Goodman, Honored as a "Top Woman Of Law 2015"
- Six Bernkopf Goodman LLP attorneys selected for inclusion in 2014 Massachusetts Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Editions
- Bernkopf Goodman Announces 6 Lawyers Selected for Inclusion in 2013 Massachusetts Super Lawyers
- Being Unclear Can Present Dangers for Brokers