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Douglas Yeager is a partner in the Real Estate, Energy, Land Use & Environmental Practice Group in the firm's Houston office.

Areas of Practice

Doug represents owners, investors, tenants, and developers in the acquisition, development, financing, leasing, and disposition of commercial real estate. He focuses his practice on leases (office, industrial, retail, build-to-suit, ground, and sale/leaseback), acquisitions and dispositions (office, industrial, hotel, retail, multi-family, and mixed-use), and financing (interim, construction, and permanent). He has also worked extensively in the loan workout, distressed asset, and debt areas, including restructuring and bankruptcy transactions and foreclosures. Doug's practice is national in scope, and his clients include some of the largest and most sophisticated players in the commercial real estate industry in the United States.

Doug regularly handles complex real estate matters for private equity firms, real estate funds, financial institutions, special servicers, owners, and developers. He also represents both landlords and tenants in commercial leasing of downtown and suburban office buildings, retail projects, and industrial warehouses. Being in Houston, he routinely assists energy companies, oilfield service companies, midstream companies, and others in the energy industry with their real estate transactions.

Doug is known for his ability to get deals done while looking out for his client's interests. An efficient and effective attorney, Doug works quickly and breaks things down for his clients.

Honors

- 500 Leading Global Real Estate Lawyers, *Lawdragon*, 2024
- Real Estate – Texas, *Chambers USA*, 2016-2024
- “Key Lawyer” in Real Estate, *The Legal 500 US*, 2021, 2023-2024
- Highly Regarded within the State of Texas for Real Estate, *IFLR1000*, 2020
- Real Estate Law, *Best Lawyers*, 2012-2025
- Texas Super Lawyer, *Super Lawyers*, 2004, 2011-2013, 2018-2024

Articles

- “Negotiating Representations and Warranties in a Commercial Real Estate Transaction,” Advanced Real Estate Drafting Course for the State Bar of Texas, March 2007

Speaking Engagements

- Presenter, “Commercial Leases,” Corporate Counsel Externship Program and Role of the General Counsel, SMU Dedman School of Law
- Presenter, “Contract Drafting,” Lawyering Skills and Strategies Class, University of Houston Law Center

Memberships

Fellow, American College of Real Estate Lawyers

Member, Houston Real Estate Lawyers Council

Former Member, Governing Council, Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law Section, State Bar of Texas

Fellow, Texas Bar Foundation

Member, Houston Bar Association

Former Chair and Board Member, The Lighthouse of Houston

Board Member, Houston Lighthouse Foundation, Inc.

Former Board Member, The Forest Club

Former Board Member, The Children’s Fund, Inc.

Practices

Distressed Real Estate Loan Workouts and Enforcement

Real Estate, Energy, Land Use & Environmental

Industries

Hospitality

Multifamily Housing

Education

J.D., Southern Methodist University, 1993, *cum laude*, Order of the Coif, presided as Vice President of the Student Bar Association, and served as Notes and Comments Editor of the SMU Law Review

B.B.A., Southern Methodist University, 1990, *summa cum laude*, Outstanding Senior Award in the Edwin L. Cox School of Business, the Outstanding Senior Award from the Financial Management Association and the Faculty Scholarship Award in Real Estate and Urban Economics

Admissions

Texas