

# Catherine M. Hauber

## PARTNER

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**Kate began her career as a commercial litigator with an emphasis in environmental law, however, now focuses her practice in the area of real estate law.**

Kate has represented clients in sales, acquisitions and development of commercial real estate; commercial financing and leasing involving theaters, resorts, charter schools, office, retail and industrial properties; construction; shopping center financing; reciprocal easement and operating agreements; and conservation easements. Kate also has provided local counsel opinions on various real estate matters.

## EXPERIENCE

- Counsel to a major developer in connection with the construction of a 1.14 million square feet state-of-the-art Internal Revenue Service processing center, including the renovation of the historic Main Post Office Building, and the relocation of, and renovation of facilities for, the United States Postal Service in the Railway Express Building and the Grand Hall of Union Station
- Representation as Kansas and Missouri counsel to the developer/owner and to the lender in the development, permitting and financing of wind projects

## PRACTICES & INDUSTRIES

Real Estate & Public Finance  
Real Estate Investment Trusts  
Real Estate Lending  
Distressed Commercial Real Estate

## ADMISSIONS

Missouri, 1983  
Kansas, 1984

## EDUCATION

University of Kansas, J.D., 1983

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University of Kansas, B.S., *with distinction*, 1978  
University of Kansas, B.A., *with distinction*, 1976

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- Represented a NYSE-listed specialty Real Estate Investment Trust, specializing in destination megaplex theaters and entertainment retail center properties, and ski parks and previously one of the nation's largest institutional owners of public charter school properties
- Represented a large regional cement manufacturer in connection with acquisitions of long-term sand and gravel reserves throughout the region and other acquisitions and leases
- Represented a privately held owner and operator of grain handling facilities located throughout the Midwest, a fertilizer distribution network, feed mills, and retail fertilizer operations, including representation in connection with the sale of a bean crushing facility and grain elevator
- Counsel to a developer in connection with preparation and implementation of master declaration of operation and easements, covenants and restrictions for major development
- Experience across a wide range of industries, including data centers, charter schools, theaters, resort properties, ready-mix, beef production, grain storage, cement manufacturing, conservation easements

### RECOGNITIONS

Midwest Commercial Real Estate Hall of Fame, Class of 2014

Recognized as a member of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers

Listed in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, which has described her as a "responsive and strong transactional real estate lawyer who always demonstrates great judgment and motivation"

Named to the 2014, 2015, and 2017 - 2024 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Real Estate

Listed in the 2012, 2019 and 2020 editions of *Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers*® Magazine for Real Estate

### PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Kansas Land Trust, Past-President and Board of Directors

American College of Real Estate Lawyers

Real Estate Charitable Foundation, Board Member

The Missouri Bar

Kansas Bar Association

Association for Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City

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## NEWS

175 Stinson Attorneys Selected to the 2024 *Best Lawyers in America* List  
08.17.2023

152 Stinson Attorneys Selected to the 2023 *Best Lawyers in America* List  
08.18.2022

103 Stinson Attorneys Selected to the 2022 *Best Lawyers in America* List  
08.19.2021

Stinson Attorneys Named to 2020 Kansas & Missouri *Super Lawyers* and Rising Stars  
11.16.2020

112 Stinson Attorneys Selected to the 2021 *Best Lawyers in America* List  
08.20.2020

*Chambers USA* Recognizes Stinson Attorneys and Practice Groups Nationwide  
04.29.2020

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Kate has been a frequent speaker on various real estate subjects, including real estate contracts, impact of environmental laws on real estate transactions, real estate financing, synthetic leases, the Americans With Disabilities Act, Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code and leases.

## PUBLICATIONS

*Missouri Methods of Practice* — chapters on “Zoning” and “Quiet Title Actions”

*Hiking Guide to Kansas*, University Press of Kansas

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