



Sheila Nolan Gartland

PARTNER

Columbus

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Practice Areas

Real Estate

Real Estate Finance

Tax and Economic Development
Incentives

Taxation

Education

The University of Toledo College
of Law, J.D., 1986

University of Dayton, B.A., *cum
laude*, 1983

Bar & Court Admissions

Ohio

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. District Court for the
Southern District of Ohio

*Admitted to practice law only in
the states listed above.*

Industries

Agriculture

Energy, Utilities, Oil and Gas

Sheila is a partner in the Vorys Columbus office and a member of the finance, energy and real estate group. Her practice focuses on general real estate, real estate development and real estate financing. Her experience includes leading teams of lawyers in large-scale projects which require detailed coordination of multiple practice areas. In addition, she represents clients in the energy sector with oil and gas transactions, wind farm development, and financings of energy projects. Sheila's experience also includes advising clients on real property issues relating to environmental remediation compliance and bankruptcy proceedings.

Career highlights include:

- Fellow in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers, Board of Governors
- Representing developers in real estate development projects, including residential subdivisions, golf course developments and mixed use developments
- Representing clients in site selection and development of processing facilities and data centers
- Representing borrowers in the refinancing of multimillion-dollar projects
- Representing one of Ohio's largest oil and gas producers in a multimillion-dollar joint venture for the exploration and production of oil and natural gas
- Representing various energy companies and oil and gas producers in significant title matters, easement issues and other real estate concerns in connection with the exploration and production of oil and natural gas
- Representing lenders in connection with financing of power generation plants
- Representing lenders in connection with the financing of oil and gas

Sheila is a past chair of the Real Property Law Section of the Ohio State Bar Association, and a member of the Columbus Bar Association.

Sheila is also active with the Energy & Mineral Law Foundation (EMLF), where she serves as president.

Sheila is a frequent lecturer at OSBA presentations and has spoken on a variety of real property topics, including annexation, zoning and land use matters, title matters, and drafting and reviewing documents for commercial real property transactions. She has also appeared frequently on “Legal Eagles” on WCMH-TV, Channel 4, the NBC affiliate in Columbus, Ohio. Sheila also presents at EMLF seminars on title issues and title standards. She has authored articles on real property matters and on oil and gas issues and related topics.

Sheila received her J.D. from The University of Toledo College of Law and her B.A. *cum laude* from the University of Dayton.

Honors & Recognitions

Columbus CEO, Best Lawyers, Oil and Gas Law, 2022; Real Estate Law, 2022-2023

Fellow of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers since 2012

Columbus CEO, Top Lawyers in Columbus, 2010-2015, 2017-2021

The Best Lawyers in America, Real Estate Law, 2010-2024

The Best Lawyers Consumers Guide for Real Estate

Fellow of the Columbus Bar Foundation since 2005

Martindale-Hubbell AV Peer Review Rated

Professional and Community Activities

American College of Real Estate Lawyers, Board of Governors; Past Chair, Programs Committee

Ohio State Bar Association, Real Property Law Section Council, Chair, 2013- 2015; District 7 Representative, 2002 to present; Secretary 2009-2011; Vice Chair, 2011-2013

Energy & Mineral Law Foundation, Member; Strategic Planning Committee, 2013, 2018; Trustee, 2014 to present; Executive Committee, 2015 to present; President 2021 to present

American Association of Professional Landmen, Member

Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, Member

Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) Columbus, Member, 1997 to present

CREW Network, National Recognition Committee, 2010

CREW Network, National Education Committee, 2007-2009

Columbus Bar Association, Young Lawyers' Committee, Co-Chair, 1986-1989

Central Ohio Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Committee Event Chair, 1994-2019

A Kid Again - Central Ohio Chapter, Committee Event Chair, 2020 to present