



Real Estate Wills, Trusts & Estates

PRACTICES

Business & Corporate Commercial Lending

EDUCATION

Boston University, J.D. (1986)

Princeton University, A.B. (1983)

BAR ADMISSIONS

Rhode Island, 1987

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Rhode Island Bar Association Westerly Regional Arts Partnership, Board Member

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PRACTICE SUMMARY

Jeff has a broad transactional practice. He provides business advice, ranging from merger and acquisition to employment matters, to clients of all sizes. He also has extensive experience representing real estate clients in connection with land acquisition for both commercial and residential projects, sales, and leasing.

Jeff represents various commercial banking institutions in connection with all areas of commercial lending: real estate, asset based, and commercial and industrial.

In the areas of estate planning and probate, he has planned and administered estates of all sizes and complexities.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

• Serves as general counsel to both the Watch Hill and Quonochontaug Central Beach Fire Districts, and has drafted and coordinated passage of amendments to the Watch Hill Fire District's legislative charter through the Rhode Island General Assembly.

- Served as a guardian-ad-litem in connection with Superior Court approval of the early termination of a trust with a corpus in excess of \$100,000,000.
- Successfully negotiated and drafted early stage capital raises for clients in a variety of industries.
- Assisted several high net worth families in overseeing the execution and administration of qualified
 personal residence trusts, limited liability companies, and other gift mechanisms in order to pass
 ownership of vacation homes to the next generation.

