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Dean A. Roy

PARTNER

Dean concentrates on complex real estate and corporate transactions, working particularly on data centers, multifamily communities, seniors housing, and hospitality assets.



Industries

Hospitality
Long Term Care & Senior Living

Practices

Real Estate
— Acquisitions & Dispositions
— Equity & Joint Ventures
— Real Estate Development
— Real Estate Finance - Borrowers
— Real Estate Leasing
— Data Center Legal Solutions

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Dean has experience handling a wide variety of complex real estate transactions, ranging from joint ventures to the purchase and sale of individual properties and multi-state portfolios, including senior living facilities, multi-family apartments, office buildings, retail, and mixed-use centers, as well as leasing and development matters involving hotels, offices and industrial properties.

As Co-Leader of the Firm's Data Center Task Force, Dean regularly represents technology companies in negotiating build-to-suit leases for large-scale facilities across North America. His multifamily and seniors housing practice includes guiding owners, managers and investors through multi-state portfolio acquisitions and sales, agency and bank financings, and preferred equity investments. Within hospitality, he counsels developers on franchise and management agreements with major hotel brands and structures mixed-use projects that integrate lodging, residential and retail components.

Client Work

- Represented a real estate investment company making preferred equity investments in multi-family/mixed-use developments and stabilized properties.
- Represented borrowers of construction and permanent loans from agency lenders and large commercial banks.
- Represented financial services and technology companies as tenants in the leasing of various office and industrial spaces in North America.
- Represented developers in negotiating franchise and management agreements for hotels in Hawaii, Florida and Maryland.
- Represented multi-family/hospitality developer in the acquisition and financing (including crowdfunding) of mixed-use properties in Washington, DC and Memphis, TN.

Previous Work

Prior to joining ArentFox Schiff, Dean served in the Office of General Counsel at the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, and worked at an international law firm. Before graduating from law school, Dean worked as an analyst at a global consulting firm and served as an officer in the US Navy.

Pro Bono

Dean has represented a wide range of pro bono clients, including assisting immigrants with citizenship and asylum applications and non-profit housing organizations in affordable and fair housing matters.

Publications, Presentations & Recognitions

Publications

- "Spaced Out - The Shift Away from Minimum Parking Requirements," *The National Law Review* (January 2023)

Presentations

- "Building the Hotels of Tomorrow: Examination of Hotel Development and Renovation Trends and Pipeline," Mid-Atlantic Hospitality Summit, Washington, DC (May 14, 2026)

Recognitions

- *Best Lawyers*: Ones to Watch, Corporate Law and Real Estate Law (2024-2027)

Celebrating ArentFox Schiff's Veterans: Dean A. Roy on Going From Military Service to Client Service

After completing the ROTC program at the University of Notre Dame, Dean earned his commission upon graduation and joined the US Navy, beginning his military career as an ensign. He served on active duty for four years, ultimately holding the rank of lieutenant upon his discharge.

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Bar Admissions

District of Columbia