

# Ben Leffler

Shareholder

**Practices:** Real Estate Finance, Default Resolution & Servicing

**Industries:** Financial Services; Investment Management & Private Funds; Real Estate

Ben Leffler is a member of Winstead's Real Estate Finance Practice Group. Ben's practice focuses on real estate construction lending, and also includes securitized and other balance sheet financings, leases, recapitalizations, joint ventures, and related corporate and financial transactions.

## Representative Experience

- Representation of mortgage and mezzanine lenders in the origination, sale and acquisition of loans secured by hotel, office, retail and mixed-use developments, as well as debt-on-debt structures.
- Representation of purchasers and sellers of various asset types including hotels, observatories and development sites.
- Representation of a private equity fund in the recapitalization and restructuring through bankruptcy and UCC foreclosure of a one hundred plus hotel national portfolio.
- Representation of a hedge fund lender in connection with the origination and securitization of debt secured by a two hundred plus big box retail national portfolio and related equity spin-off sale leaseback transaction.

## Prior New York Practice

- Prior to joining Winstead, Ben practiced in the New York City office of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP from 2010 to 2016

## Clerkship

- The Honorable Justice Robert Edmunds, Supreme Court of North Carolina

## Admissions

- Texas, 2016
- New York, 2009



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### Education

Ohio State University, Michael E. Moritz

College of Law

– J.D., 2008

– *cum laude*

– *The Ohio State Law Journal*, Associate Editor

– Pro Bono Research Group, Research Fellow and Executive Board Member

Vassar College

– B.A., Economics

London School of Economics

– General Course