

Chris Nixon

Shareholder

Practices: Real Estate Finance, Default Resolution & Servicing; Real Estate Development & Investments; Real Estate; Finance & Banking

Industries: Real Estate; Financial Services; Technology; Turnaround & Workout

Chris Nixon is a shareholder in the firm's Real Estate Practice Group. His practice includes a wide variety of commercial real estate transactions, including finance, telecommunications, leasing, and acquisitions and dispositions.



Representative Experience

Finance

- Represents national CMBS lenders, DUS lenders, life insurance companies, private equity groups, real estate finance companies, and institutional lenders in the origination of commercial real estate loans in all market sectors throughout the United States
- Represents financial institutions and private equity groups in the administration and servicing of commercial real estate for all types of income-producing properties throughout the United States; focusing on special servicing of distressed commercial real estate debt, including loan restructures, workouts, forbearances and foreclosures
- Extensive experience in the full range of debt products, structures and services, including CMBS loans, agency loans, portfolio loans, mezzanine loans, bridge loans, construction loans, A/B/C note structures, preferred equity structures, loan participations and syndications, ground lease debt structures, syndicate tenancy-in-common structures, dual funding structures, revolving credit facilities, defeasance and mortgage note sales and purchases in the secondary mortgage market
- Serves as local Texas counsel to out-of-state lenders for all types of commercial real estate loan transactions

Telecommunications

- Represents national broadband and wireless communication companies in all aspects of the deployment, management, and maintenance of their communication network, including the leasing and licensing of wireless communication facilities, such as cellular towers, in-building systems, multiple host systems, and building and rooftop communications facilities
- Significant experience in the negotiation and drafting of regional master lease agreements, collocation and in-bound lease agreements, and lease agreements with airports, municipalities, and local utility providers
- Serves national wireless communication companies in the management of large lease amendment projects for the deployment of new technologies

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Education

University of Tennessee College of Law

– J.D., 1998

– *summa cum laude*

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– Board of Editors, *Tennessee Law Review*

North Carolina State University

– B.A., 1995

– *summa cum laude*

- Represents national communications service providers in the negotiation and drafting of commercial technology, internet, video, and cable television service contracts in various market sectors

Leasing

- Represents landlords and tenants in a wide variety of commercial lease transactions, including retail, office, industrial, build-to-suit, communication facilities, ground, and master leases

Acquisitions and Dispositions

- Represents clients in the sale and purchase of commercial real estate in many market sectors, including office buildings, restaurants, shopping centers, hotels, apartment complexes, raw land, and development properties

Professional & Community Service

- State Bar of Texas
- American Bar Association
- Dallas Bar Association
- Commercial Mortgage Securities Association
- Mortgage Bankers Association
- The Perot Museum, Dallas, Texas (Advisory Board of Directors, 2004-present; Legal Committee Member, 2003-present; Collections Committee Member, 2003-2011; Speakers Bureau, 2008-2012)

Awards & Recognition

- Member of the College of the State Bar of Texas, 2007-2013

Admissions

- Texas, 1998
- U.S. District Court Northern District of Texas