

Tamara Katz

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Executive summary

Tamara's practice focuses on all aspects of commercial real estate law, with particular experience in acquisitions and dispositions, ground leasing, joint ventures, landlord and tenant leasing, and real estate financing. She has represented both borrowers and lenders in a wide range of secured transactions, including securitized financings, participations, and syndications, involving diverse property types such as hotels, shopping centres, medical office buildings, assisted living facilities, office buildings, and power plants.

Tamara also has significant experience acting for lenders in the restructuring and workout of commercial mortgage loans, including forbearance agreements, deeds in lieu of foreclosure, and other consensual enforcement arrangements.

Before joining Gardiner Roberts in 2012, Tamara practised real estate law with Latham & Watkins LLP in New York, bringing a valuable cross-border perspective to her practice.

EDUCATION

New York University School of Law, JD, 2006
McGill University, BA (magna cum laude), 2003

BAR ADMISSION

Ontario, 2013
New York, 2006

Expertise

Commercial Real Estate
Corporate & Commercial

Representative work

- Acted for landowner in joint venture with a Canadian REIT for the development of three sites in Ontario
- Acted for major international retailer in the negotiation of store leases in Greater Toronto Area
- Acted for asset manager/pension funds on the acquisition of a major commercial/retail centre in British Columbia
- Acted for project company on various wind and green energy projects located in Ontario
- Acted for purchaser on the purchase of a portfolio of 14 long term care facilities in Ontario

Insights

Publications

Author of Chapter 6: Tenant's Wrongful Removal of Goods or Chattels published in Harvey Haber's Distress: A Commercial Landlords Remedy, Second Edition

Author of Chapter 9: The Rights and Obligations of the Original Tenant and Subsequent Tenants after an Assignment of Lease published in Harvey Haber's Assignment, Subletting and Change of Control, Second Edition (forthcoming – October 2023)

Presentations

Co-Author and Presenter (with Robert Schwartz) of "Commercial Agreements of Purchase and Sale", 21st Real Estate Law Summit, Law Society of Ontario

Co-Author and Presenter (with Robert Schwartz) of "Co-Ownership of Properties", 22nd Real Estate Law Summit, Law Society of Ontario

Blogs

Landlord Considerations: To Term or to Terminate

17 February 2026

New Year, New Rules: Construction Act Amendments Explained

3 February 2026

Memberships and recognition

Board memberships

- Vice President of the board of directors of Associated Hebrew Schools
 - Member of the board of directors of International Property Tax Institute
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Professional memberships

- Law Society of Ontario
 - Ontario Bar Association
 - New York State Bar Association
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Recognition

- Best Lawyers in Canada 2022-2026 for Real Estate Law



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