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Professional Experience

Joanne's practice emphasizes the representation of banks and other financial institutions in commercial loan transactions involving asset-based and real estate secured loans, including new construction, multi-family, mixed use, retail, hotel, and healthcare related projects. She also represents real estate developers and business owners in connection with acquisition, disposition, planning, financing, construction, and leasing negotiations. Joanne's representation has further included the representation of developers and housing authorities in connection with tax credit developments of multifamily and affordable housing.

Joanne regularly advises clients on a broad range of business law matters, including the formation and structuring of new businesses and investment entities, business transfers and acquisitions, asset purchase and sale transactions, and contract drafting and negotiation.

Joanne's unique combination of experience in commercial lending, development, real estate, and business law allows her to provide sound guidance to her clients in connection with a broad range of legal issues. Clients find her knowledge of these processes beneficial when navigating these frequently complex waters, and they rely on her to focus on the smallest details of their transactions while never losing sight of the big picture.

Practice Concentrations

Commercial Real Estate
Acquisition, Financing,
Development, Subdivision, and Sale

Negotiation and Preparation of
Leases

Representation of Financial
Institutions and Borrowers in Loan
Transactions

Education

J.D., *with honors*, Quinnipiac
University School of Law, 2008.
Articles Editor, [Quinnipiac Health
Law Journal](#).

B.A., University of North Carolina at
Chapel Hill, 2003.

Admitted to Practice

North Carolina, 2008

Connecticut, 2008

New York, 2009

Honors and Distinctions*

The Best Lawyers in America, 2020

"Rising Star," North Carolina Super Lawyers, 2018

Professional and Community Affiliations

28th Judicial District Bar

Asheville Area Chamber of Commerce (Leadership Asheville Alumna, Class XXXIV)

Buncombe County Boys & Girls Club (Advisory Council Member)

Community Foundation of Western North Carolina (Board Member)

North Carolina Bar Association — Real Property Section Council Member 2016-2019

Western North Carolina Real Estate Foundation (Board Member)

* Please see the following websites for an explanation of the membership standards for the following recognitions: www.bestlawyers.com; businessnc.com/special-sections/legal-elite/; and www.superlawyers.com/north-carolina.