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My broad professional background has given me a forward-thinking perspective to impart to each of my corporate clients. I recognize the issues that may arise over time, know the players who may raise them, and identify the intricate details that must be negotiated to prevent undue challenges. Because of my experience, I am positioned to educate and assist my clients to avoid future complications.

Ms. Szakal focuses her practice in corporate, real estate and healthcare transactions. Her work encompasses the drafting and negotiation of corporate agreements and contracts, including those related to mergers and acquisitions of business entities, corporate and company formation, real estate and redevelopment matters, healthcare and private equity deals, financing matters, and other commercial transactions. Ms. Szakal has experience closing multi-million dollar development project deals involving a broad range of interested parties and complicated transactional issues related to the organization and operation of newly formed companies.

Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Szakal worked for a boutique New Jersey law firm where she split her practice between corporate transactional work and litigation. As a litigator, she provided representation in all aspects of litigation, including pre-litigation counseling, settlement negotiation, motion practice and appellate and Supreme Court advocacy, including successfully petitioning for certification to the New Jersey Supreme Court and overturning an adverse opinion. In addition, she represented a variety of public entity clients as special counsel, litigation

Departments

Corporate
Healthcare
Real Estate

Education

Rutgers School of Law-
Newark, J.D., 2014
The University of Chicago,
B.A. *cum laude*, 2005

Bar Admissions

New Jersey, 2014
New York, 2015
U.S. District Court, District of
New Jersey, 2015
U.S. District Court, Southern
District of New York, 2015
U.S. District Court, Eastern
District of New York, 2015

Clerkships

Former law clerk to The
Honorable Carmen Messano,
New Jersey Superior Court,
Appellate Division (2014-2015)

counsel, substitute township attorney, and redevelopment counsel.

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HONORS & AWARDS

- Listed in *Super Lawyers - New Jersey Rising Stars* (a Thomson Reuters business) in the Business/Corporate practice area (2021 - present)

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REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

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- Published Case: *Stewart et al. v. New Jersey Turnpike Authority et al.*, 249 N.J. 642 (2022)

UNIQUELY NJ

- New Jersey State Bar Association; LGBTQ Rights Section; Business Law Section
- Middlesex County Bar Association

MORE ACTIVITIES & EXPERIENCE

- New York State Bar Association
- Ms. Szakal is a member of the firm's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Leadership Team
- While attending law school, Ms. Szakal served on the Rutgers Moot Court Board, was the Commentaries Editor for the *Rutgers Law Review*, was a Dean's Merit Scholar, and was a teaching associate for the Legal Research & Writing program
- Prior to beginning law school, Ms. Szakal was an 8th grade language arts/English literature teacher for four years. She attended law school as an evening student and continued to teach up until her graduation in 2014
- Currently, Ms. Szakal volunteers as a Girl Scout Troop leader for the Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore and serves on the Religious Education Committee for Monmouth Reform Temple in Tinton Falls

PRESENTATIONS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Presenter, Department of Treasury Corporate Transparency Act Compliance

Sponsor: *New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education*, December 8, 2023

PUBLICATIONS & ALERTS

Author, FinCEN Releases Useful Guidance on Corporate Transparency Act Requirements for Small Businesses

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, September 21, 2023

Author, Following Passage of First U.S. Law of its Kind, California Medical Professionals Now Face Loss of License for COVID-19 Speech

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Healthcare Perspectives Blog, October 7, 2022

Author, FinCEN Issues Final Rule Implementing Beneficial Owner Reporting Under Corporate Transparency Act

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, October 4, 2022

NEWS

Thirty-Four Attorneys from Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis Selected for Inclusion in 2024 Edition of New Jersey Super Lawyers
March 26, 2024

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis Promotes Six Attorneys to Partnership and Two Associates to Counsel
January 8, 2024

Fay L. Szakal Joins Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis as Associate
June 23, 2022