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2021 Chambers USA Guide Ranks Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis in Key Practice Areas and Recognizes 22 Attorneys as Leading Individuals

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Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP is pleased to announce that *Chambers USA 2021* (a publication of Chambers and Partners) has again recognized the firm in its annual rankings of the foremost law firms and lawyers in the country.

In the publication's latest edition, the firm and 22 of our attorneys are listed among New Jersey's leading law firms and lawyers in a number of our core practice areas – Litigation: General Commercial, Corporate/M&A, Real Estate, Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use, Environment, Healthcare, Construction and Banking & Finance.

The following is a summary of the firm's editorial presence in Chambers USA 2021:

Litigation: General Commercial

Chambers notes our experience in "wide-ranging commercial disputes, including professional liability cases, RICO litigation, consumer finance class actions and business torts" and adds that the firm provides "sophisticated support to a broad client base, including significant domestic and international businesses," with "strength at trial and appellate level, as well as in arbitration and mediation." Chambers' editors further comment that our services are "routinely sought out by real estate and developer clients for representation in corporate disputes."

Attorneys recognized in this practice area:

- **John D. North** "maintains a broad practice in commercial litigation, with substantial experience representing clients in jury and non-jury trials."
- Paul A. Rowe is "adept at handling high-profile and complex business disputes, including those with cross-border elements."

Corporate/Mergers & Acquisitions

In its editorial review of the firm, *Chambers* recognizes our position in the New Jersey market as "Wellestablished...with a solid corporate team" that demonstrates "particular strength in real estate-related transactions and also provides advice on corporate finance and M&A." The publication's editors spotlight our representation of clients in "the automotive and healthcare industries."



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Attorneys recognized in this practice area:

- W. Raymond Felton "represents both purchasers and target companies in M&A transactions."
- Alan E. Davis has "five decades' experience handling corporate transactions, with additional expertise in matters that pertain to franchising."

Real Estate

Chambers commends our real estate team as "a superb group for real estate matters with an active and robust practice across the entire spectrum of work." The publication calls attention to our "expertise in transactional work including sales, acquisitions, leases, financing and tax issues" and our "further strength handling litigation matters along with environmental issues associated with development projects." The publication singles out our team's "extensive experience acting for regional and national developers, private equity investors and landlords and tenants."

Attorneys recognized in this practice area:

- Jack Fersko "is recognized as an expert in real estate transactions, development projects and financing matters" with "additional expertise in environmental law issues."
- Thomas J. Denitzio, Jr. "offers considerable expertise in handling transactional and financing matters, alongside expertise in insolvency and tax issues."
- Christine F. Li is "renowned for her expert handling of development projects, including notable expertise in condominium law."
- Martin E. Dollinger "commands respect for his longstanding experience in commercial real estate matters, having advised on an array of significant transactions and leasing matters across his distinguished career."

Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use

In ranking this practice area, *Chambers* highlights our team's involvement in "varied zoning and land use projects involving mixed-use buildings, industrial premises and brownfield redevelopment sites, assisting with issues including the acquisition of planning permits and site approvals."

Attorneys recognized in this practice area:

- Robert S. Goldsmith "assists his clients with an array of matters relating to development and redevelopment projects, including expertise in permitting and design issues as well as wider contentious matters."
- Steven G. Mlenak is ranked as "Up and Coming" in his field and "advises clients such as developers, municipalities and owners on a range of development projects."



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Environment

Chambers references our environmental group's "noted strength in contaminated site remediation, particularly brownfield cleanups" and adds that the team is "sought out by a diverse range of clients, including developers, property owners and manufacturers." The publication further recognizes the group as being "adept at conducting environmental due diligence and providing counsel on air, water and wetlands laws and permits."

Attorneys recognized in this practice area:

- David B. Farer "has an exceedingly broad practice which encompasses environmental litigation, regulatory compliance, transactional issues and redevelopment work."
- Jay A. Jaffe "assists large corporations with environmental issues with a transactional context
 including leasing and facility development matters" and "also manages regulatory compliance."
- Barbara J. Koonz, "advises domestic and overseas businesses on environmental permitting for redevelopments and renewable energy projects."
- David A. Roth "assists clients with regulatory compliance, environmental liability, site remediation and cost recovery litigation."
- Ann M. Waeger is "a respected attorney who handles a range of environmental matters associated
 with real estate and corporate transactions" and "specializes in environmental insurance coverage
 and claims."

Healthcare

According to *Chambers'* editors, the firm's healthcare group is "a highly regarded team active in the New Jersey healthcare market, acting for a broad client base of providers, pharmaceuticals and those investing in the industry." The publication references the group's "extensive regulatory practice that includes areas such as Stark Law and HIPAA compliance, as well as certification issues," adding that the group is "also noted for its strong transactional and litigation experience." *Chambers* further comments on our "dedicated private equity practice" that advises both sponsors and portfolio companies.

Attorneys recognized in this practice area:

- James A. Robertson is "respected for his representation of a wide range of healthcare providers on diverse regulatory and corporate mandates" and has "notable strength in litigation such as reimbursement appeals."
- John W. Kaveney is ranked as "Up and Coming" in his field with "considerable experience advising clients on Medicaid and Medicare reimbursement disputes and wider regulatory concerns."
- Glenn P. Prives is ranked as "Up and Coming" in this area of practice and represents "a wide range of healthcare clients in regulatory and corporate matters, offering expertise in areas such as sales and network formations."



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Andrew F. McBride, III "advises on transactions such as M&A and related antitrust concerns, as well
as reimbursement disputes and medical staffing mandates."

Construction

Chambers notes that the firm's construction practice "represents developers, owners, condominium associations and general contractors in litigation," with attorneys "experienced in handling a broad range of disputes, including claims relating to defective construction and design, negligence and construction delays."

Attorneys recognized in this practice area:

- **Dennis A. Estis** is "recognized for his expertise in condominium work" and is "regularly called upon for his advice regarding litigation and arbitration."
- John D. North has "expertise that includes disputes involving condominium association law."
- Steven Nudelman has a practice that "encompasses a wide spectrum of issues ranging from construction lien claims to contract negotiations and drafting."

Banking & Finance

Attorney recognized in this practice area:

Lydia C. Stefanowicz is "commended for her commercial lending and real estate finance practice."
 "Of particular note is her work on CMBS and mezzanine financings."

The London-based publishers of the *Chambers USA 2021* conduct comprehensive annual research, including in-depth interviews with thousands of lawyers and clients, as they seek to assess the reputations and expertise of business lawyers from across the country. Rankings are assessed on qualities including technical legal ability, professional conduct, client service, commercial astuteness, diligence, commitment, and other qualities most valued by the client. The complete methodology can be viewed on Chambers' website.

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