

RAFAEL PIGNATARO AMONG BUFFALO BUSINESS FIRST'S 30 UNDER THIRTY

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Rafael Pignataro, an associate in Hodgson Russ's Real Estate Development and Banking & Finance Practices, has been honored as one of *Buffalo Business First's* 30 Under Thirty for 2015.

The honorees were selected from among more than 100 nominees by an independent committee of judges. They were chosen for their outstanding professional achievements, leadership qualities, and commitment to and engagement in the Western New York community. The winners are all in early stages of their careers.

Ralph focuses his legal practice on the representation of public and private buyers, sellers, landlords, tenants, and developers in real estate and related matters, including the finance and/or purchase of retail, industrial, and office space; residential developments; and other investment properties. Highlights of his career to date include assisting with high-profile development projects for Corvias, a national developer of military and student housing, and the Buffalo Sabres on aspects of the \$200 million HARBORCENTER complex. Prior to joining Hodgson Russ, Ralph was a legal intern at New Era Cap Co., Inc. and a summer analyst in equity capital markets at Citigroup in New York City.

Ralph serves on both the Explore & More Children's Museum and Ilio DiPaolo Scholarship Fund boards of directors, and is a member of the Leadership Buffalo Class of 2015 Rising Leaders program. He holds a J.D. from SUNY Buffalo Law School and an M.B.A. from University at Buffalo School of Management.

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