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Elizabeth Dryden is a Partner in the Real Estate Department.

Elizabeth's practice covers a broad range of real estate transactions, including acquisitions and dispositions, office, retail and other commercial leasing, financings, and joint venture and syndication formations. Her practice experience includes extensive representation of institutional and non-institutional lenders, property owners and developers, private equity investors and high-net worth individuals across all asset classes. With a strong background in finance, Elizabeth specializes in structuring and negotiating real estate finance transactions, including first mortgage loans, mezzanine and other subordinate loans, preferred equity and joint venture structures, syndicated credit facilities, Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae loans, bridge loans and construction loans. Prior to joining Ervin Cohen & Jessup, Elizabeth worked at the Am Law 100 firms Paul Hastings LLP and Morrison & Foerster LLP.

Elizabeth is a creative problem solver. She focuses on practical and workable solutions for her clients, collaborating with them to comprehensively understand their business and operations. She successfully navigates complex legal matters while balancing big picture issues with deal specific details. Adapting to meet each client's unique legal needs, Elizabeth prioritizes her clients' concerns without losing sight of her role as an advisor and ardent advocate.

While in law school, Elizabeth was a volunteer for Sanctuary for Families, advocating for abused spouses seeking divorces. As an undergrad, she volunteered as an Emergency Medical Technician on the university ambulance corps, serving as a Crew Chief and as a member of the Medical Board.

Elizabeth enjoys SCUBA diving, hiking and trying new recipes.

EDUCATION

J.D., New York University School of Law

Senior Production Editor of the Journal of Law & Business

B.A., Economics and Philosophy, Columbia University

PRACTICE AREAS

Real Estate

ADMISSIONS

California

HONORS & RECOGNITIONS

Best Lawyers in America, One to Watch & Women in Law, 2021 & 2022

Southern California Super Lawyers, Rising Stars, 2017-2021

COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL

Beverly Hills Bar Association, Real Estate Section Co-Chair

Los Angeles' Westside Urban Forum

CLIENT ALERTS

Ervin Cohen & Jessup Elevates Two Attorneys to Partner

02.13.2019

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Digital Summit: The Effect of the Pandemic on LA's Historically Strong Multifamily Asset Class

06.15.2021

Culver City State of The Market: An Update on Tech/Streaming Headquarters, Transit & Development

BisNow, Live Webcast, 04.08.2021

ECJ Partner Elizabeth Dryden to Moderate BisNow Webinar

BisNow, Live Webcast, 05.14.2020

Here & Now: Adjusting to the New Market

The Azzi Group of Marcus & Millichap and Ervin Cohen Jessup LLP, Live Webcast, 05.12.2020

Getting Deals Done Amid Coronavirus: How Are Transactions in LA Being Impacted by the Global Pandemic

BizNow, Live Webcast, 04.21.2020