

Frannie LaBudda

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Frannie LaBudda helps clients structure and close commercial real estate transactions so they can move forward with confidence at every stage of a deal.

Frannie brings focused attention to each phase of a commercial real estate transaction, from initial due diligence through closing. She works to ensure that clients understand their rights, obligations, and options at every step, so that deals are completed efficiently and on sound legal footing.

Frannie is committed to access to justice beyond her transactional practice. She contributes regularly to Dorsey & Whitney's pro bono program, providing legal assistance to individuals who would otherwise lack representation. In 2025, she was recognized with the Dorsey Scales of Justice Team Award for her work on two matters: the Arizona Justice Project Case Review Team and a housing discrimination claim against the City of Minneapolis. That same year, the Minnesota State Bar Association recognized her as a North Star Lawyer for her pro bono contributions.

Select Experience

- Represented UHG in a healthcare M&A transaction involving multi-site lease due diligence, reviewing and analyzing lease documentation, identifying material deficiencies, and developing lease amendment and closing recommendations. Helped reduce the number of required lease amendments from 15 to eight and develop a standardized amendment form, streamlining negotiations while protecting the buyer's interests.
- Represented Mortenson in a complex public-private student housing development and bond financing for the University of Arizona involving a 19-story, 1,336-bed facility. Assisted with development and financing documentation, ground lease and title matters, and closing coordination among multiple stakeholders. Supported the successful closing of the primary purchase agreement, resulting in the release of an \$8 million backstop escrow deposit.
- Represented LCN Capital Partners in a multi-state disposition program involving

Education

- University of Wisconsin Law School (J.D., 2024)
 - Dean's List
- University of Wisconsin (B.A., 2015)

Bar Admissions

- Wisconsin
- Minnesota

numerous 7-Eleven properties, managing concurrent real estate transactions from due diligence through closing. Drafted and negotiated purchase and sale documentation, reviewed title and survey materials, coordinated with title companies and opposing counsel, and managed closing requirements and timelines across multiple jurisdictions.

- Represented U.S. Bank in a nationwide real estate disposition portfolio involving properties across multiple states, including California, Wisconsin, Ohio, Oregon, Colorado, Missouri, and Arkansas. Managed concurrent transactions, prepared and coordinated closing documentation, addressed title and lien matters, and worked with title companies and client representatives to facilitate closings and resolve post-closing issues.

Court Admissions

- United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin
- Minnesota Bar Application Pending

Accolades

- Consistently providing pro bono legal assistance to those in need through Dorsey's Pro Bono program
- Dorsey & Whitney – Scales of Justice Team Award (Arizona Justice Project Case Review Team; Housing Discrimination Claim v. City of Minneapolis Team), 2025
- MSBA, North Star Lawyer, 2025

Languages

- French