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Beth Bernstein Connors | Partner Real Estate

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Beth Bernstein Connors concentrates her practice on commercial real estate matters, focusing on leasing, acquisitions, dispositions, financing, and joint ventures. She represents a broad array of national clients, including:

- Owners of retail, office, industrial, and multifamily properties
- Large and small retail and office tenants
- Borrowers of portfolio and single-asset mortgage loans

While in law school, Beth served as executive editor for the *UCLA Law Review* and an editor of the *UCLA Women's Law Journal*.

#### **Outside The Firm**

Beth is a former co-captain of Wesleyan's varsity softball team and maintains strong ties to the Wes community, serving as an alumni interviewer for admissions and participating in mentoring events with current student athletes. Beth is also an avid runner and has completed numerous half marathons around the country.

## **Select Engagements**

- National retail and fitness tenants in pop-ups and long term leases across the U.S.
- National roll-outs and expansions of store and showroom locations for digitally native apparel and fine jewelry brands.
- The borrower in the over \$1 billion financing of the acquisition of a formerly publicly-held REIT owning approximately 140 shopping centers throughout the Midwest.

- The seller in the sale of Brooklyn waterfront property to the City of New York for development into a City park.
- The seller in the portfolio sale of 24 multifamily properties spread across multiple states for more than \$700 million.
- The landlord in the lease of a 4-story building in midtown Manhattan to a national retail tenant.
- A national landlord in retail and restaurant leasing across the country.

#### **Admissions**

New York

#### **Education**

- Wesleyan University, BA, Phi Beta Kappa
- UCLA School of Law, JD

### Recognitions

- 2020, "Best LGBTQ+ Lawyer Under 40," by the National LGBT Bar Association
- 2018, 2019, and 2020, New York Metro "Rising Star" in Real Estate Law, listed in *Super Lawyers*

#### **Professional Activities**

Beth is a member of the firm's Recruiting Committee and New York Pro Bono Coordinating Committee. She previously served as a member of Blank Rome's Diversity & Inclusion Committee and currently serves as co-chair of BR Pride.