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Mr. Wells, a Partner with Lippes Mathias, serves as the firm's [Real Estate](#) Practice Team Leader and as a member of the firm's Executive Committee. He joined Lippes Mathias after spending 11 years as Regional General Counsel of the country's largest privately owned commercial real estate developer.

With extensive legal experience in commercial real estate development, Mr. Wells has represented buyers and sellers of shopping centers, hotels, office buildings, industrial buildings, mixed-use properties, self-storage facilities, and mobile home parks in a variety of complex legal transactions. He served as lead counsel on the sale of a \$2.2 billion portfolio of 107 shopping centers.

He has substantial experience negotiating franchise, license, and operation agreements with national hotel chains including Hilton, Marriott, Choice, Starwood, and Carlson.

EDUCATION

- Fordham University School of Law, J.D., 1993
- University of Dayton, B.S., 1985

HONORS & AWARDS

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, 2015-2025
- *Upstate New York Super Lawyers*®, 2016-2024
- *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, Real Estate (Upstate New York)
- Martindale Hubbell AV Rated

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Buffalo Niagara Partnership, Development Advisory Council
- St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute, Board of Trustees

CAPABILITIES

Mergers and Acquisitions
Canada-U.S. Cross Border
Renewable Energy
Real Estate
General Counsel Services

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

- New York
- Florida
- Certified Public Accountant (Inactive)