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Mr. Friedman specializes in commercial real estate transactions, with particular emphasis on shopping center and hotel/casino development, acquisitions and dispositions, leasing, financing, joint ventures, syndications, cross-border transactions, work-outs and restructurings. His restructuring work includes the roll-up and recapitalization of tenant-in-common (“TIC”) syndicated investment properties. His clients include commercial and hotel/casino developers and operators, lenders, institutional and private investors, TIC syndicated investor groups, retail chains and Indian tribes. In addition to conventional real estate projects, Mr. Friedman advises both tribal and non-tribal clients in connection with the development, leasing and financing of Native American casinos and commercial projects in Indian Country and the participation by Indian tribes in off-reservation commercial investments.

Mr. Friedman is ranked in *Chambers USA* as one of the leading real estate lawyers in the United States. He received his undergraduate education from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana and his Juris Doctor from the University of Illinois College of Law. He is a member of the Los Angeles County Bar Association (Real Property Section), and is admitted to the State Bars of California and Illinois. He is a member of the International Council of Shopping Centers U.S. Law Conference Program Committee and has been a frequent lecturer at ICSC U.S. Law Conferences, the ICSC California Retail Leasing Symposium and the ICSC University of Shopping Centers, at ALI-ABA, CEB and MUFSSO real estate programs and at Native American Finance Conferences and Tribal Wealth Management Conferences.