



DLA Piper receives Real Estate and Franchise Who's Who Legal awards

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that *Who's Who Legal* has designated the firm as its Real Estate Firm of the Year and Franchise Firm of the Year, both for the 15th consecutive year. Additionally, the publication named [Jay Epstein](#), co-chair of DLA Piper's global Real Estate sector, its Real Estate Lawyer of the Year.

The firm received the awards at the *Who's Who Legal* awards ceremony on May 16, 2019, at Gibson Hall in London.

DLA Piper's global Real Estate team offers a full range of services in areas including acquisitions and disposals, construction law, financing, commercial real estate, land use, planning and development, leasing, environmental law, insurance and tax. With more than 500 lawyers located in more than 80 offices around the world, the top-ranked Real Estate team is uniquely situated to provide counseling on local, national and international transactions.

With lawyers located in all of the world's key jurisdictions, DLA Piper's Franchise team has represented clients in franchise transactions in more than 100 countries. The firm's franchise attorneys have considerable experience in assisting established and emerging companies in a wide range of industries, from retail and fashion, food and beverage, and hospitality and leisure to high-technology, consumer, and professional services of all descriptions.

Epstien represents local and national owners, developers and users in all aspects of real estate transactions involving urban office buildings, shopping centers and mixed-use projects. He has been the lead lawyer on many of the largest office leases in Washington, DC, representing both landlords and tenants, including numerous law firms that have sought his counsel. He is the recipient of numerous other awards, including the prestigious Judge Learned Hand Award from the AJC in recognition of his exceptional professional achievements and dedication to civic and philanthropic causes and organizations. In 2018, he served as President of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers.

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