

## DONALD S. HORVATH, Partner

*Donald S. Horvath has an extensive real estate practice which includes representing real estate owners, developers and lenders. Don represents owners, developers, contractors and design professionals on all facets of real estate development and construction projects. Owners and developers also turn to him for help with real property acquisition, disposition and leasing transactions and commercial mortgage and construction loan transactions and sale leaseback transactions. He also represents real estate lenders in negotiating and documenting sophisticated construction, permanent and mezzanine loan transactions and loan purchase and sale transactions.*

Mr. Horvath is AV Peer Review Rated, *Martindale-Hubbell's* highest peer recognition for ethical standards and legal ability. Recognized as an *Illinois Super Lawyer*, he provides ongoing representation to a Fortune 500 company on the acquisition, disposition, leasing and construction of its offices, research and development and other facilities nationwide. He regularly advises owners and joint ventures in all aspects of the development of residential condominium and apartment projects and mixed use developments that include residential, hotel and retail components. He also has represented lenders and borrowers in complex loan transactions including loan syndication, participation and restructuring transactions.

A member of the Firm's Real Estate and Construction Law Practices, Mr. Horvath also serves on the Real Estate Finance Litigation and Workout Task Force. He has addressed the Illinois Institute of Continuing Legal Education, the Practising Law Institute and Lorman Educational Services on topics related to his practice area. He is a member of the Firm's Associate Development and Evaluation Committee as well as the Finance and Opinion Letter Committees.

### Awards

- *Illinois Super Lawyer*  
Real Estate Transactions - 2006
- Leading Lawyers Network  
Real Estate: Commercial Law, 2012-2019

### Professional Organizations

- Urban Land Institute  
Member

### Service To The Bar

- American Bar Association - Section on Real Property and Forum on the Construction Industry
- Chicago Bar Association - Real Property Section



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### PRACTICE GROUPS

Climate and Clean Technology Law  
Real Estate  
Real Estate and Construction Litigation  
Real Estate Litigation and Counseling

### EDUCATION

Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology, J.D., 1984

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign,  
B.S., 1980

### ADMISSIONS

Illinois, 1984

### COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois, 1984

## **Publications**

- Client Alert: Landlords Beware: Termination of a Distressed Tenant's Lease May Be Voidable In Bankruptcy, May 26, 2016
- Client Alert: Chicago Passes Mandatory Energy Benchmarking Ordinance, September 23, 2013
- Construction News, Winter 2002
- "Part I: Key Contract Provisions and AIA Contracts", Winter 2002

## **Speaking Engagements**

- "Finding Your Way Around the Letter Of Intent, the Letter Of Credit and the SNDA," Lorman Education Services, April 13, 2016
- "Change Orders in Construction Contracts in Illinois," Lorman Education Services, May 02, 2014
- Moderator, BisNow, Jenner & Block, Aries Capital, GRS Group Chicago Capital Markets Summit, Chicago, IL, May 29, 2012
- Panelist, "Negotiating Real Estate Loan Terms and Workout Options," National Business Institute, Chicago, IL, June 17, 2010
- "Construction Claims in Illinois," Lorman Education Services Seminar, Schaumburg, IL, April 17, 2008
- "The Fundamentals of Construction Contracts in Illinois: Understanding the Issues," Lorman Education Services, Chicago, IL, July 25, 2006
- "Construction Delay Claims in Illinois," Lorman Education Services Seminar, Arlington Heights, IL, April 07, 2006
- "The Fundamentals of Construction Contracts," Lorman Education Services Seminar, Chicago, IL, August 17, 2005
- "Illinois Construction Claims," Lorman Education Services Seminar, Chicago, IL, January 17, 2002