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William N. LaForte, Partner

Bill LaForte is a partner with the firm, primarily covering issues related to commercial and residential real estate.

With over 40 years of experience, his areas of expertise encompass a wide range in the counseling of numerous real estate developers in the planning, acquisition development, financing, and leasing of all types of commercial developments. Bill has represented developers in the establishment of numerous commercial office parks in the Rochester region. In addition, Bill formulates and drafts offering plans for planned unit developers, condominiums, and residential and commercial property owners associations.

Bill is a graduate of Colgate University and a *cum laude* graduate of Syracuse University College of Law. Since his admissions to the New York State Bar in 1975 and Florida State Bar in 1982, Bill has also conducted numerous seminars and other engagements for local and state bar associations in all aspects of real estate development.

In addition to his impressive career as an attorney, Bill has also been an active contributor to the Greater Rochester community and beyond. He previously served as the Chair of the Board of Directors of the American Heart Association Rochester Region and the Northeast Affiliate. Bill is also a former board member of Monroe Title Insurance Corporation, former Trustee of the Monroe County Bar Association, former board member of the Memorial Art Gallery, former board member of the Ronald McDonald House, and former board member of the Housing Council of Monroe County.



Notably, Bill is an avid golf enthusiast, and served for a myriad of prestigious golf events, such as the Tournament Director for the 1995 Ryder Cup Matches, Director of Administrative Services for the 1998 USGA Amateur Championship and 2003 PGA Championship, and Chairman of Contestant Registration of the 2013 PGA Championship through his affiliation as a member of Oak Hill Country Club.

For his efforts, Bill is the recipient of the AV Preeminent Rating by Martindale-Hubbel, Best Lawyers in America for Real Estate Law, Best Lawyers “Lawyer of the Year” for Real Estate Law (2015), Super Lawyers recipient for Land Use/Zoning Law and Real Estate Law categories, and the United Way of Greater Rochester Community Investor Award.