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Christine Roddy is a real estate lawyer who focuses on zoning and land use, historic preservation, municipal law and urban renewal in the District of Columbia. She counsels clients in the development of mixed-use, office, retail, institutional, industrial and residential projects.

Christine represents clients before the D.C. Council, the Zoning Commission, the Board of Zoning Adjustment, the Historic Preservation Review Board, the Mayor's Agent for Historic Preservation, the National Capital Planning Commission and other district and federal agencies involved in land use matters.

Accolades

- Best Lawyers in America® (2020-2023): Real Estate Law
- 2015 Top 40 Lawyers Under 40, Bisnow DC

Affiliations

- Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW)
- Greater Washington Board of Trade (Ambassadors Committee)
- Georgia Bar Association
- DC Bar Association

Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Georgia

Education

- Vanderbilt University Law School (J.D., 2003)

- Duke University (B.A., *cum laude*, 2000)

Representative Matters

Capital City Real Estate PUD Approval of LEED Gold Residential Building in DC

Representation of Capital City Real Estate to secure a PUD approval of a LEED Gold, 180-unit residential building at 777 17th Street NE. The project includes substantial improvements to the surrounding public space as well as significant affordable housing components.

JBG Smith Land Use & Zoning Entitlements for Parcels in Union Market District

Representation of JBG Smith in connection with the land use and zoning entitlements for 4 parcels of land totaling more than 6 acres in the Union Market district. JBG Smith, partnered with Gallaudet University, secured approval for a First-Stage Planned Unit Development consisting of 1.5 million square feet of development rights, including 1,800 residential units; 135,000 square feet of retail; and 60,000 square feet of office uses.

MRP Realty Land Use & Zoning Entitlements for Site Adjacent to Rhode Island Ave Metrorail Station

Representation of MRP Realty in connection with land use and zoning entitlements for a 13-acre site adjacent to the Rhode Island Avenue Metrorail Station. MRP pursued large tract development review with the Office of Planning for the development of approximately 1,500 residential units and 250,000 square feet of retail use.

Conversion of Former Coast Guard Headquarters

Representation of the ownership entity in securing entitlements for the conversion of the former Coast Guard headquarters into a mixed-use residential building with ground floor retail. This work culminated in a public hearing before the Zoning Commission for approval of a design review application.

Leading Real Estate Developer and Investor Zoning and Land Use

Representation of one of the nation's leading real estate developers and investors in connection with the zoning and land use entitlements for a proposed mixed-use development project at 1200 3rd St NE in the NoMa neighborhood of Washington, D.C.

Transferable Development and Combined Lot Development Rights

Advises clients on a variety of transactional matters, including the purchase and sale of transferable development rights and combined lot development rights.

Publications

January 14, 2022

D.C. Zoning Commission Responds to Two of Attorney General's Inclusionary Zoning Proposals

February 2018

Legislation Introduced to Amend the Framework Element of the Comprehensive Plan

August 2015

Major Changes to District of Columbia Zoning Regulations