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John Rothman is a real estate attorney who focuses on commercial leasing for office, retail, restaurant, and industrial properties. He also negotiates ground leases for shopping malls and lifestyle centers, in addition to streetscapes of all scope, scale, and size.

John advises commercial property owners, landlords, tenants, developers, and managers across the United States. John's diplomatic communication style and unique problem solving skillset allows him to resolve complex lease issues and get deals signed. Clients also appreciate John's comprehensive understanding of commercial operations, in particular his sophisticated analysis covering each facet of a deal. John's significant experience in managing and negotiating guaranties, brokerage, construction, subordination, collateral leasing, nondisturbance, and attornment agreements helps clients to proactively negotiate lease terms. John's keen eye for detail and formidable legal skillset allows for efficient service that secures desired results.

Prior to joining the firm's New York office, John was counsel in the real estate group of a national law firm. His experience also includes working as an intern at the United States Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey.

Accolades

- New York Metro Super Lawyers, Rising Stars, 2023-2024
- Recipient of The Legal Aid Society Pro Bono Publico Award (2021)

Admissions

- New York
- New Jersey

Education

- Georgetown University Law Center (J.D., 2013)

- Vassar College (B.A., 2010)

Representative Matters

31,000 Square Foot Production Space Lease

Representation of Gotham Sake, LLC (dba Brooklyn Kura) for a lease of approximately 31,000 square feet of space for the production of sake, and an ancillary tasting room and retail space, all to be located at Industry City Brooklyn, 34 34th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Representation of Asset Manager in Office Lease

Representation of Brazilian asset manager SPX Capital Management LLC in an office lease of approximately 10,790 square feet for their NYC headquarters located at 450 Park Ave, New York, New York.

New Lease for a 40,000 Square Foot Food Hall in Manhattan

Representation of C3, an entertainment group, in leasing and opening a 40,000 square-foot food hall at Manhattan West, New York, New York.

Retail Leases for Morgan Stanley

Representation of Morgan Stanley in connection with dozens of retail leases by its affiliate in connection with the Rosedale Center in Rosedale, Minnesota, including without limitation, a regional social club and a co-working tenant.

New Lease for Japanese Retailer

Representation of MUJI, a Japanese retailer, in securing a lease for a new 11,500 square-foot location in The Shops & Restaurants at Hudson Yards in New York City.

Financing and Development Agreements for Expansion of Los Tacos No. 1

Representation of Los Tacos No. 1, a taco restaurant, in connection with its financing and development agreements related to their expansion with the Mexican seafood restaurant, Los Mariscos, in New York City.

Multiple Retail Leases for Thor Equities

Representation of Thor Equities, in connection with retail leases in New York, Miami, and Houston, including Bottled Blonde, KinderCare, 7-Eleven, Vine Vera, JPMorgan Chase, Starbucks, RA Sushi (Benihana), Roland Mouret, Dakota Restaurant, Firehouse Grill, Bluemercury, Organic Market, Phillip Plein, Morgenthal Luxury Optical, Bond 9 and Tasaki, among many others.

Representation of Aurora Capital on the Closing of Leases to Multiple Retailers

Representation of Aurora Capital, a real estate investment firm, in connection with the closing on leases to three retailers (Brunello Cuccinelli, Frame and Belstaff) in New York City's famed "Gansevoort Row" in the Meatpacking District.

Representation in Opening of Michelin Star Restaurant

Representation of Noda Sushi, a Michelin star sushi restaurant, in opening its first location in the Flatiron District in New York City.