

# Neema Chaiban

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Neema Chaiban is a real estate lawyer who focuses her practice on the acquisition, disposition, leasing and development of commercial real estate.

She works with clients who own and develop office, retail and mixed-used properties across the United States.

Prior to joining Goulston & Storrs, Neema was an Associate at an Am Law 100 law firm. She also served as an intern for the Conservation Law Foundation, and a judicial intern for the Honorable Robert B. Collings, U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts.

## **Accolades**

- Best Lawyers in America® Ones to Watch (2021-2025): Real Estate
- Lawyers of Color Hot List 2022
- Massachusetts Super Lawyers Rising Stars (2022-2024)
- Selected as a 2021 *Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Pathfinder Program*

## **Affiliations**

- Boston Bar Association, Member
- Massachusetts Black Lawyers Association
- Board of Trustees, Eliot School of Fine & Applied Arts
- Active Big Sister in Big Brothers Big Sisters of Massachusetts Bay & Cape Cod & the Islands

## **Admissions**

- Massachusetts

## **Education**

- Northeastern University School of Law (J.D., 2014)
- Vermont Law School (M.A., *magna cum laude*, 2014)
- Tufts University (B.A., 2011)

## **Representative Matters**

### **Represented Federal Realty Investment Trust in Acquisition and Joint Venture for a \$345M Shopping Center Portfolio**

Represented Federal Realty Investment Trust in connection with the acquisition of and joint venture for a \$345M portfolio of shopping centers in Los Angeles, California.

### **Beacon Capital Partners Acquisitions in Boston**

Representation of Beacon Capital Partners in connection with the acquisition of commercial property in Boston, MA.

### **CrossHarbor Capital Partners Acquisitions Across Several U.S. States**

Representation of CrossHarbor Capital Partners in connection with the acquisition of office buildings and residential apartments in Massachusetts, Connecticut and California.

### **Jamestown Properties Leasing of Innovation and Design Building**

Representation of Jamestown in connection with leasing of the Innovation and Design Building.

### **U.S. Investment Platform Asset Class Matters**

Representation of the U.S. investment platform of a foreign investor in connection with the acquisition, disposition and financing of various asset classes across the country.

### **Condominium Structuring and Document Preparation for Boston MA Seaport Assets**

Assisted in representation of WS Development in connection with condominium structuring and preparation of condominium documents for all assets in the Seaport District of Boston, Massachusetts.

### **National Investment Management Firm's Transactions of Multifamily Portfolios**

Representation of national investment management firm in the acquisitions, dispositions and financings of multifamily projects.

### **AXA IM Alts and its Affiliates in one of the Largest Industrial Portfolio Acquisitions of 2020**

Representation of AXA IM Alts and its affiliates in one of the largest industrial portfolio acquisitions of 2020. The portfolio consists of 27 assets in Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, Central New Jersey, Dallas, South Florida, Southern New Jersey and Atlanta. In a significant step in its strategy to grow a U.S. wide logistics platform, AXA IM Alts, on behalf of clients and through a joint venture with

Cabot Properties, Inc., acquired the 7,984,000 s/f portfolio for approximately \$875 million, through a share purchase of a REIT previously managed by Cabot Properties. Representation included all matters related to property diligence, structuring, joint venture, purchase, financing, tax and environmental considerations of the property, including tax and structuring issues relating to cross-border investments.