

A professional portrait of Adam N. Saurwein, a man with dark hair, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and patterned tie. He is standing with his arms crossed in a modern office hallway with warm lighting and blurred background.

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Overview

Adam focuses his national real estate practice on acquisitions, dispositions, development, redevelopment, investment, management, and finance of all types of multifamily residential, office, retail, hotel, mixed use and industrial properties in both single-asset transactions and multi-state, multi-property portfolio transactions.

Adam regularly represents Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs), developers, investors, lenders, private equity funds, and other institutional and non-institutional investors, developers and owners of commercial real estate. He has counseled clients on all aspects of debt and equity in real estate transactions, including complex joint ventures, general and limited partnerships, permanent financing, CMBS financing, and mezzanine financing transactions. Adam also brings significant experience in construction finance, guiding clients through the intricacies of AIA construction documents and managing the transactional aspects of construction projects, from contract negotiation to project completion.

Representative Matters

- Represented a client in the \$80+ million acquisition of Quarry Center, a 30-acre retail property in Haverford Township, Pennsylvania, including tenants such as Giant and Lowe's.
- Represented a large national multi-family housing developer in the sale of an affordable housing development in Greenville, North Carolina.
- Represented a large national developer of multifamily housing in the disposition of an affordable housing property in Washington, North Carolina

- Represented a national multifamily developer in the financing and joint venture of a multifamily housing development for \$83 million.
- Represented a major multifamily developer in the financing and joint venture of a multifamily development for \$70 million.
- Represented a major multifamily developer in the financing and development of a multifamily property for \$61 million.
- Represented a large, national multifamily developer in the sale of affordable housing developments in Corpus Christi, Texas.
- Represented a large, national multifamily housing developer in the acquisition of property for the development of affordable housing in Washington, D.C.

Credentials

EDUCATION

- Cleveland State University College of Law, 2009, J.D., *magna cum laude*
 - Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Law and Health
- Cleveland State University, 2009, Masters, Urban Planning, Design and Development
 - Certificate of Specialization, Real Estate Development and Finance
- University of Dallas, 1999, B.A.

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- Ohio

Memberships

- Member, Ohio State Bar Association
- Member, Cleveland Leadership Center's Bridge Builders, Class of 2014
- Member, Outreach Committee, Urban Land Institute
- Member, National Association of Industrial and Office Properties
- Member, International Council of Shopping Centers
- Former Member, Benesch Associate Development Committee, 2013-2016
- Board Member, Monroe Street Historic Cemetery Foundation
- Former Ambassador, Partners in Justice, The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland
- Mentor, Ohio Supreme Court Lawyer to Lawyer Mentorship Program

Awards & recognition

- Named, GlobeSt Influencer in Multifamily Real Estate, 2025
- Listed, Ohio Super Lawyers – Rising Stars 2016-2019

Beyond the office

Did you know?

Adam was a classical languages major in college and taught Latin for two years.

Did you know?

Adam enjoys running and cycling. He is also an avid traveler and recently went on a trek through the Himalayas.

News & Insights

- [Benesch Real Estate Partner Adam Saurwein Selected as Fellow of the American College to Mortgage Attorneys](#)
February 26, 2026 | Press Releases
- [Benesch Partner Adam Saurwein Named a GlobeSt 2025 Influencer in Multifamily Real Estate](#)
September 30, 2025 | Press Releases
- [Creative Financing of Brownfields Sites](#)
October 30, 2023 | Contributed Content & Presentations
- [Benesch Ranks in Midwest Real Estate News](#)
October 30, 2023 | Press Releases
- [Benesch Names Nine New Partners in 2018](#)
October 30, 2023 | Press Releases
- [Recruiting Brochure: Adam Saurwein](#)
October 30, 2023 | Announcements
- [My Benesch My Team - NRP Group](#)
June 30, 2021 | My Benesch My Team: Client Feature Ads

Speaking & Events

PAST EVENTS

- Recent Trends in the Real Estate and Construction Sectors | Adam N. Saurwein
September 21, 2022 | Speaking Engagement