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## Overview

**AJ Sokoloff brings more than 15 years of experience representing commercial real estate lenders in sophisticated financings across the capital stack, advising on their most significant transactions. He counsels clients throughout the financing lifecycle, including origination, acquisition, disposition and workout matters.**

He represents a broad range of financial institutions and capital providers, including banks, debt funds, insurance companies, mortgage lenders and mezzanine lenders in fixed- and floating-rate financing transactions. AJ has extensive experience across a wide range of real estate finance matters, including CMBS, portfolio, bridge, bridge-to-agency, bridge-to-secondary-market, syndicated, mezzanine, construction, C-PACE, and USDA loans. He also advises warehouse lenders on the onboarding of pledged whole loans, participations and controlling notes to warehouse facilities.

AJ is particularly recognized for his experience in bridge lending, healthcare lending and warehouse lending. His understanding of evolving market dynamics, lending structures and secondary market considerations enables clients to navigate challenging transactions efficiently while managing risk and achieving their business objectives.

His experience spans a diverse range of asset classes, including multifamily properties, office buildings, healthcare facilities (skilled nursing, assisted living and memory care), hotels, condominiums, single-family rental and build-to-rent communities, self-storage facilities, shopping centers, and other retail, commercial and mixed-use developments.

Known as a trusted advisor and deal closer, AJ is valued by clients for his responsiveness, commercial acumen, deep market insight, and ability to drive transactions successfully across the finish line.

# Credentials

## EDUCATION

- New York Law School, 2012, J.D., *magna cum laude*
  - John Marshall Harlan Scholar
  - Staff Editor, *New York Law School Law Review*
- Marymount Manhattan College, 2005, B.A.

## BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- New York

# Awards & Recognition

- Listed, *The Best Lawyers in America* Ones to Watch, Real Estate Law, 2022-2025
- Listed, New York Metro Super Lawyers, Rising Stars, Real Estate: Business, 2016-2023

# News & Insights

- [126 Benesch Attorneys Recognized in 2027 Best Lawyers® Rankings](#)  
August 20, 2026 | Press Releases
- [Law360 Highlights Benesch's Addition of 20-Lawyer Real Estate Finance Team and Expansion into Miami](#)  
August 5, 2026 | Media Mentions
- [Law.com Features Benesch's Addition of 21-Lawyer Real Estate Finance Team and Miami Expansion](#)  
August 3, 2026 | Media Mentions
- [Benesch Adds 20-Lawyer Real Estate Finance and Structured Finance Team from Reed Smith](#)  
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