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Overview

Kevin focuses his practice on the environmental aspects of corporate, commercial lending, and real estate transactions.

He manages environmental enforcement and litigation matters and provides counseling on regulatory issues. He is a fellow of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers. Kevin is the President of the Jewish Education Center of Cleveland, a board member of the Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland, the former Chair of the Federation's Allocations Education Subcommittee, and Chair of the JHub Advisory Group. He also is a board member of the Cleveland Play House.

Representative Matters

- Represented Bochi Investments, LLC, in its equity acquisition of Marsee Foods, LLC, a wholesale bakery in Portland, Oregon.
- Represented GarageCo Holdings, Inc. in its add-on acquisition of Omaha Door & Window, expanding the GarageCo platform.
- Represented a major West Coast REIT in acquiring two California multifamily properties for \$240.5M, involving extensive environmental review and analysis.
- Represented a large West Coast REIT in the \$240.5 million acquisition of two multi-family properties in California.
- Represented Blackstone in connection with its acquisition of a portfolio of 228 mortgage loans from Atlantic Union Bank for approximately \$2 billion.

- Represented Blue Marlin Partners in acquiring a stake in Mo' Bettahs, a Hawaiian-Style Barbecue restaurant chain.
- Represented a prominent international private equity fund that owns and manages life science and technology properties in the sale of a multi-tenant property located in southern California for approximately \$10 million.
- Represented Loar Holdings Inc., a diversified manufacturer and supplier of niche aerospace and defense components, in its acquisition of Applied Avionics, Inc., a manufacturer of highly engineered avionics interface solutions catering to the aviation industry, valued at \$385 million.

Credentials

EDUCATION

- Case Western Reserve University School of Law, 1989, J.D.
- Northwestern University, 1986, B.A.

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- Ohio

Memberships

- Member, Federal Bar Association
- Member, Ohio State Bar Association
- Member, Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association
- Fellow, American College of Real Estate Lawyers
- Class of 2008, Leadership Cleveland
- Board Member, Cleveland Play House

Awards & Recognition

- Named, 2026 Lawdragon 500 Leading Environmental Lawyers – The Green 500
- Listed, Chambers USA Leading Lawyers, Natural Resources & Environment, 2021-2026
- Listed, *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Environmental Law; Real Estate Law, 2009-2026
- Cleveland Environmental Law Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers in America ®, 2018, 2019
- BTI Client Service All-Star, 2015

- AV[®]Rated, Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review
- Listed, Ohio Super Lawyers, Environmental, 2004-2005, 2016-2026

News & Insights

- [Benesch Recognized as Leading Law Firm by Chambers USA 2026 with Record Growth in National and Regional Rankings](#)
June 4, 2026 | Press Releases
- [Benesch Partner Kevin Margolis Named to 2026 Lawdragon 500 Leading Environmental Lawyers](#)
March 10, 2026 | Press Releases
- [48 Benesch Attorneys Selected to 2026 Ohio Super Lawyers and Rising Stars](#)
January 27, 2026 | Press Releases
- [129 Benesch Attorneys Recognized in 2026 Best Lawyers[®] Rankings](#)
August 21, 2025 | Press Releases
- [Benesch Recognized in Chambers USA 2025 with Record Growth in National and Regional Rankings](#)
June 4, 2025 | Press Releases
- [Benesch Advises Rotunda on Strategic Investment in Capital Machine Technologies](#)
April 22, 2025 | Press Releases
- [49 Benesch Attorneys Selected to 2025 Ohio Super Lawyers and Rising Stars](#)
December 17, 2024 | Press Releases
- [Benesch Advises Blue Marlin Partners on Acquiring Strategic Stake in Mo' Bettahs](#)
October 25, 2024 | Press Releases
- [Benesch Facilitates Client Loar Holdings Inc. Acquisition of Applied Avionics, Inc.](#)
August 26, 2024 | Press Releases
- [132 Benesch Attorneys Recognized in 2025 Best Lawyers[®] Rankings](#)
August 14, 2024 | Press Releases

Speaking & Events

PAST EVENTS

- [Environmental Issues for Lenders | Kevin D. Margolis](#)
March 16, 2021 | Speaking Engagement
- [Catalysts for Change - Trade Disputes, Evolving ESG Standards and the Steady March Toward Sustainability | Kevin D. Margolis](#)
October 24, 2019 | Speaking Engagement