



## Kevin D. Margolis

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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<sup>®</sup>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<sup>®</sup> 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<sup>®</sup> 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