

A portrait of Sam A. Mintzer, a man with dark hair and a beard, wearing a dark blue blazer over a light blue button-down shirt. He is smiling and standing in a modern office hallway with warm lighting and blurred background.

Sam A. Mintzer

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Overview

Sam focuses his practice on a wide range of commercial real estate matters, and is particularly focused on the acquisition and disposition of assets in a variety of asset classes.

Sam is experienced in running transactions and drafting and negotiating commercial real estate documents. Sam's practice also includes the representation of borrowers and lenders, as well as the representation of corporate landlords in the leasing of retail and industrial properties.

Representative Matters

- Represented the seller in a \$35.5 million disposition of a 600-unit apartment complex in Battle Creek, Michigan.
- Represented a publicly traded REIT in a \$150+ million acquisition of 23 strip shopping centers
- 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 a large West Coast REIT in the disposition of a large multi-family property in Los Angeles, California for a purchase price of approximately \$240 million.

- Represented a publicly traded real estate investment trust specializing in multifamily in the sale of apartments in California for more than \$125 million.
- Represented one of the largest multi-family owners in the country in connection with its acquisition of two commercial properties located outside San Francisco, California for an aggregate purchase price of \$26 million.

Credentials

EDUCATION

- The Ohio State University, Moritz College of Law, 2017, J.D., *magna cum laude*
 - Member, Order of the Coif
 - CALI Excellence for the Future Award Winner: Drafting Business Contracts; Transactional Lawyering; Federal Income Taxation; and Wills Trusts & Estates
- The Ohio State University, 2014, B.A. Economics, *summa cum laude*, Double Minor: English and Business
- Hawken School, 2010

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- Ohio

Memberships

- Board of Directors for Family Connections (2018-2020)

Awards & Recognition

- Listed, Ohio Super Lawyers – Rising Stars, Real Estate, 2025

News & Insights

- [48 Benesch Attorneys Selected to 2026 Ohio Super Lawyers and Rising Stars](#)
January 27, 2026 | Press Releases
- [Benesch Announces 16 New Partners for 2026](#)
December 31, 2025 | Press Releases
- [49 Benesch Attorneys Selected to 2025 Ohio Super Lawyers and Rising Stars](#)
December 17, 2024 | Press Releases

Speaking & Events

PAST EVENTS

- To Insure or Not Insure, That is the Question | Sam A. Mintzer
March 1, 2024 | Speaking Engagement