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Just as clients turn to Jason Rittie to represent their interests in a wide range of complex commercial and residential real estate transactions and related matters, others engage him for representation in equally complicated closely-held business affairs. In both of these areas, Jason's experience is wide ranging and his knowledge of the law – including the latest developments – enables him to comprehend and adapt to many different industries and legal matters. A large percentage of his work is transactional with very high stakes. He excels at creating deals that stay intact and move quickly and successfully through completion and closing. Jason brings creativity and intellect to each case. With a deep, personal commitment to advocating for his clients' best interests. Jason works closely with his clients to understand their unique goals and objectives to develop creative deals and solutions for various transactions and situations.

Jason represents a broad sector of clients, including borrowers, private lenders plus commercial and personal banks. He appears before planning and zoning boards throughout New Jersey, also representing property owners and developers in all aspects of land use and zoning matters. He is highly regarded for his professionalism before these boards and for his competent representation of applicants pertaining to site plans, subdivisions and variances for virtually any type of property. As for real estate-related litigation, he is experienced in handling landlord/tenant evictions, breach of contract, partition actions, construction agreements, title disputes, and zoning litigation. His relationships with individuals across all of these sectors and issues enable him to expedite matters efficiently and effectively for his clients.

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Bar Admissions

- New Jersey, 1999
- U.S. District Court District of New Jersey, 1999
- New York, 2000

Education

- Seton Hall University School of Law, Newark, New Jersey, J.D., 1999
- Norwich University, Military College of Vermont, Northfield, Vermont, B.S., cum laude, 1993
 - o Major: Bachelor of Science in Business Administration
 - Minor: Economics

Honors & Accolades

Jason has been recognized by the following:

- Thomson Reuters, Super Lawyers®
 - New Jersey Super Lawyers: 2018–2024
 - New Jersey Rising Stars: 2011
- The Best Lawyers in America® (Woodward/White, Inc.), Closely Held Companies and Family Business Law; Land Use and Zoning Law; Real Estate Law, 2016 2024
 - "Lawyer of the Year," in Metro Newark, *The Best Lawyers in America*® (Woodward/White, Inc.), Land Use and Zoning Law, 2023
 - "Lawyer of the Year," in Metro Newark, *The Best Lawyers in America*® (Woodward/White, Inc.), Closely Held Companies and Family Business Law, 2018

Professional Affiliations

- Member, Morris County Bar Association
- Member, New Jersey State Bar Association
- Member, Sussex County Bar Association
- Morris County and Sussex County Chambers of Commerce
- Member, Catholic Bar Association
- Member, METRO Metropolitan Builder's & Contractors Association of New Jersey

- Former Member, Township of Green Planning Board
- Former Member, Heritage Community Bank Business Development Advisory Board

Community Involvement

- Officer, Knights of Columbus Council #7784,
- Fourth Degree Sir Knight in Assembly #2716
- Planning Board Member for the Township of Green
- Member for the Heritage Community Bank Business Development Advisory Board
- Fellow, Advocati Christi

Experience

Client Representation

MARS Chocolate North America, Simon Property Group (t/a Rockaway Townsquare Mall),
Urban Edge, Washington Prime Group, DeCamp Bus Lines, Raymour & Flanigan Furniture,
Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chipotle Mexican Grill, Red Robin International Inc., T.G.I.Friday's
(Parsippany), Family Christian Stores, Tilton Automotive, L.L.C. (t/a Gearhart Chevrolet),
K.B.C. Properties LLC (Kuiken Brothers Lumber), AMC Movie Theatres (Rockaway), FEDEX
Kinkos, ULTA Salon Cosmetics and Fragrance, Inc., Sally Beauty Company Inc., Snip-Its, TMobile, Carter's Childrenwear, Too Inc. (Justice), Pier 1 Imports, Five Below, Jules Inc. (t/a
McDonald's), KDC Solar NJMG, LLC, Surgery Center of Northwest Jersey LLC, Provident
Bank, Lakeland Bank, and Heritage Community Bank (now known as First Bank).

Practice Areas

- Real Estate
- Business/Corporate
- Commercial Litigation