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Richard M. "Rich" Albert is Counsel in the Real Estate practice group, focusing primarily on business law. He practices out of the Firm's office in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Rich gives his clients over 25 years of legal experience relating to transactional matters touching a wide variety of practice areas and industries, primarily focusing on contractual drafting, negotiation and interpretation.

Rich is well versed in creating, negotiating, reviewing, and modifying third-party transaction and joint operations documents, including oil and gas leases, surface use agreements, acquisition and divestiture agreements, joint operating and venture agreements, farmout agreements, option agreements, seismic license agreements, supply agreements, master service agreements, drilling agreements, confidentiality agreements, data license and sharing agreements, and easements and rights of way.

Rich counsels clients with respect to complex and routine real property transactions, including the establishment of planned communities and residential and commercial condominium developments, construction agreements and related land acquisitions, and option agreements for multiple regional residential and commercial developers. He routinely provides representation regarding the acquisition and divestiture of state and federally regulated and non-regulated businesses, including pharmacies, personal care homes, firearms dealers, beer distributors, and restaurants on both stock and asset bases.

When needed, Rich reviews, negotiates, and drafts complex and routine commercial loan documents, including floor plan financing, warehouse loan agreements, and other commercial loan transactions. He structures, organizes, and maintains business entities, including corporations, limited liability companies, and limited partnerships.

If and when he has free time, you just might find Rich at the golf course or gardening.

Work History

- Jackson Kelly PLLC (2022-Present)
- Contract Transactional Attorney (2021-2022)
- Noble Energy, Inc., Land Advisor, Land Services Supervisor, Senior Land Advisor (2013-2019), Senior Counsel/Land Manager: Subsequent Operations and Title (2019-2020), Senior Counsel/Land Manager: Land Projects (2020)
- Sylvan Energy, LLC, General Counsel and Secretary (2010-2013)
- Hergenroeder, Rega and Sommer, L.L.C., Senior Associate (2003-2010)
- Babst, Calland, Clements and Zomnir, P.C., Associate (1998-2003)
- Strassburger, McKenna, Gutnick & Potter, P.C., Associate (1996-1998)
- Honorable Ronald W. Folino, Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, Law Clerk (1994-1996)

- The Peoples Natural Gas Company, Law Clerk/Staff Attorney (1991-1993)
- Honorable Joseph L. Cosetti, Federal Bankruptcy Court, Western District of Pennsylvania, Intern (1990)

Practices

- Business Law
- Real Estate

Education

- Duquesne University School of Law (J.D., 1992)
 - *Law Review*, Executive Recent Decisions Editor
 - Case Note Published Vol. 29, Issue 4
- Duquesne University Graduate School of Business (M.B.A. in Finance, 1989)
 - Graduate Assistantship
 - Statistics, Finance and Accounting Undergraduate Tutor
- Robert Morris College (B.S.B.A. in Finance, 1987)
 - Deans Lists
 - Annual Honors Award

Admissions

- Pennsylvania (1992)
- Supreme Court of Pennsylvania (1992)
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania (1992)