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Profile

Vincent represents owners, developers, lenders, and borrowers in sophisticated real estate transactions involving commercial and industrial properties.

In addition to handling acquisitions and sales of real property, he assists clients with all other aspects of commercial real estate development, including the negotiation and drafting of architect agreements and construction contracts, leasing, zoning, subdivision, economic development incentives, and negotiation of easements and restrictive covenants.

Vincent also represents both lenders and borrowers in various types of commercial financing transactions, loan workouts, and commercial foreclosures. He also handles a wide array of real estate litigation, including real property tax assessment review proceedings, land use and zoning litigation, eminent domain proceedings, partition actions, quiet title proceedings, and commercial lease litigation.

Vincent has served as a guest lecturer for the University at Buffalo School of Management, the New York State Bar Association, Lorman Educational Services, and various business groups on a broad range of real estate-related topics, including economic development incentives, easements and licenses, and commercial mortgage foreclosures. He is also a member of the National Association of College and University Attorneys, and represents a number of area colleges in real estate financing and development projects.

Honors & Affiliations

- Listed in
 - *Chambers USA* 2025, Real Estate – Upstate New York, 2019 - 2025
 - *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law; Land Use and Zoning Law; Litigation – Land Use and Zoning; Litigation – Real Estate; Real Estate Law, 2007-2025 (listed for more than 15 years)
 - *Best Lawyers in America*® Lawyer of the Year (Buffalo), Land Use and Zoning Law, 2024, 2025
 - *Best Lawyers in America*® Lawyer of the Year (Buffalo), Litigation - Land Use and Zoning Law, 2014, 2016- 2019, 2021, 2023
 - *Chambers USA* 2024, Real Estate – Upstate New York, 2019 - 2024

Education

- University at Buffalo School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1982)
- State University of New York at Oswego (B.A., *cum laude*, 1979)

Bar/Court Admissions

- New York
- U.S. Tax Court
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York

Practices

- Real Estate and Construction
- Municipalities
- Higher Education
- Tax Assessment, Condemnation & Property Valuation
- Property
- Health Care
- Commercial Lending
- Business and Transactions

- *New York Super Lawyers®*, Real Estate, 2009-2024
- *Who's Who in Law* 2008, *Buffalo Business First*
- *Martindale-Hubbell®*, AV Preeminent Rated
- New York State Bar Association
- Erie County Bar Association
- National Association of College and University Attorneys
- St. Thomas More, Award Recipient, 2017

Representative Publications

- "Five Questions with... Vincent Hanley," *Buffalo Law Journal*, May 13, 2013

Other Activities

Vincent served on the Board of Trustees of Hilbert College from 2003 through 2012 and chaired the Board from 2007 through 2009. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Food Bank of Western New York from 2014 to 2019, the Board of Directors of the Mercy Hospital Foundation from 2014 to 2024 and on the Board of Trustees of D'Youville College from 2019 to 2022.

He currently serves on the following boards:

- The Foundation of Catholic Health, Board of Directors
- Catholic Health Continuing & Home Care Foundation, Board of Directors
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Western New York, Board of Directors