

Laura A. Weingartner

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Areas Of Practice

Real Estate
Leasing & Property Management
Real Estate Finance
Real Estate Tax Incentives & Economic Development
Energy Lending Transactions
Infrastructure & Project Finance

Industries

Energy Industry Group
Alternative & Renewable Energy

Bar Admissions

Michigan, 2005

Education

University of Detroit Mercy, J.D.,
magna cum laude

- *Law Review*, Associate Editor

University of Michigan, M.A.

University of Michigan, B.A.

Language

Arabic
French
German

Laura A. Weingartner is a member whose practice involves all aspects of complex commercial real estate transactions, including renewable and alternative energy lending and project finance, commercial leasing, acquisition, disposition, project siting and zoning, affordable housing development, and landlord-tenant litigation. Prior to joining Dykema, Ms. Weingartner worked in marketing and sales for a developer of financial planning and information management software applications.

Experience

Ms. Weingartner has been involved in all aspects of complex real estate transactions, in which she has represented developers, investors, lenders, REITs, health care systems, manufacturers, municipalities, public school systems, religious institutions, and other public and private entities.

She has experience in the development, construction, leasing, sale, disposition or financing of a wide variety of projects, including the following:

- Renewable and alternative energy projects (including wind, solar and biomass)
- Electric utility right-of-way acquisition projects
- Mixed-use projects
- Office projects
- “Big-box” retail
- Affordable housing and new markets tax credit developments
- Leasing and zoning for wireless telecommunications services providers
- Negotiation of commercial office leases for a national accounting and financial services provider
- Landlord-tenant litigation associated with mortgage foreclosures, land contract forfeitures and tenant defaults

Seminars & Speeches

Small Business Legal Academy, Wayne State University, Faculty Member, Real Estate
February 14, 2015

Investment Opportunities in Green Energy, Video Webcast Co-Sponsored by Cohn Reznick, Dykema and DelMorgan & Co.

Laura A. Weingartner (Cont.)

January 2015

Publications

"Why the Construction Lender Matters in Gap Financing" (Co-authored with Cameron H. Piggott, Esq.)

January 2011

North American Wind Power

"Family Law Reform in Morocco: the Mudawana: Modernist Islam and Women's Rights in the Code of Personal Status"

2005

University of Detroit Mercy Law Review, Vol. 82, Issue 4, p. 687-713

"Case Digest: Morrison v. City of East Lansing"

2003

82 U. Det. Mercy L. Rev. 343, 660 N.W.2d 395, Mich. Ct. App.

News

Nineteen Dykema Attorneys Listed as "Top Women Lawyers" in *Hour Magazine*

March 17, 2016

Dykema to Serve as a Participating Law Firm for Detroit Small Business Legal Academy

February 11, 2015

Dykema Team Led by Laura Weingartner Helps Seminole Financial Services Complete \$88 Million Deal

April 8, 2014

Laura Weingartner Quoted in *Law360* Article on California Federal Court Decision re. Wind Farms and Bird Deaths

April 1, 2014

Memberships & Involvement

- State Bar of Michigan, Real Property Section and Business Law Section
- American Bar Association, Forum on Community Development and Affordable Housing
- Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association

Community/Civic Activities

- Barton Hills Village Planning Commission, Chair

Awards & Recognition

Recognized in *Michigan Super Lawyers*® as a Rising Star for Real Estate, 2015

University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, Frank Murphy Honor Society