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Area of Emphasis

Mary Binker is a shareholder in the Corporate and Commercial, Emerging Technologies, and Real Estate, Land Use and Zoning groups of Babst Calland. Ms. Binker's practice focuses primarily on corporate and transactional matters, including negotiation of commercial contracts and real estate acquisitions, leasing, and management agreements.

Ms. Binker advises businesses of various sizes and complexity, in a broad range of industries including chemical, energy and real estate development in their corporate contracting needs such as procurement and service agreements. She also has experience advising real estate clients on commercial and industrial use properties, including properties with environmental risks.

Ms. Binker utilizes her business background to provide practical, yet creative solutions that reflect the challenges faced by her clients.

Background

Ms. Binker received her undergraduate degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 2007, earning a B.A. in Economics and Political Science. She received her J.D. from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law and her M.B.A. from the University of Pittsburgh's Joseph M. Katz Graduate School of Business in 2010.

While completing her graduate degrees, Ms. Binker worked for the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General in the Consumer Protection Division and the Insurance Fraud Section.

Prior to joining Babst Calland, Ms. Binker worked in the corporate and real estate business group of a mid-sized regional law firm.

Memberships and Affiliations

Ms. Binker was admitted to the Pennsylvania Bar in 2011. She is a member of the Allegheny County and Pennsylvania Bar associations. Ms. Binker is a member of the Board of Directors for the Business Alumni Association of the University of Pittsburgh and the Partners Circle Board of the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust.

Ms. Binker received *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* recognitions for Corporate Law and Real Estate Law in 2021-2025 and Energy Law in 2024-2025.

Publications/Presentations

Co-Presenter, "Real Property Concerns in Corporate Transactions," Western Pennsylvania Chapter of the Association for Corporate Counsel (ACC), August 28, 2024.

Co-Author, "Safe, Secure, and Trustworthy: White House Executive Order on Artificial Intelligence," *Pennsylvania Business Central*, March 29, 2024.

Co-Author, "Recent Developments in Artificial Intelligence Governance," Babst Calland *Emerging Technologies Alert*, December 13, 2023.

Co-Presenter, "Purchase and Sale of Environmentally Distressed Properties," Western Pennsylvania Chapter of the Association for Corporate Counsel (ACC), November 8, 2023.

Ostrowski, Sue (interview by author), “Commercial Leasing: Pittsburgh Market Facing Challenges, Opportunities,” *Smart Business*, February 2022.

Co-Presenter, “Negotiating Service and Supply Agreements in the Current Environment,” Western Pennsylvania Chapter of the Association for Corporate Counsel (ACC), Webinar, August 23, 2022.

Ostrowski, Sue (interviewed by author), “Commercial Leasing: Pittsburgh Market Facing Challenges, Opportunities,” *Smart Business*, February 2022.

Co-Presenter, “Force Majeure and Related Provisions,” Western Pennsylvania Chapter of the Association for Corporate Counsel (ACC), Webinar, June 10, 2020.

Co-Author, “Potential Impacts to Real Estate Development of Proposed Amendments to NEPA Regulations,” Developing Pittsburgh, Spring 2020.