



## Professional Profile: Ron Sernau 2015

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Name: Ron Sernau

Title: Partner and Co-Chair of Real Estate Department

Company: Proskauer Rose LLP

Location: New York, N.Y.

Birthplace: New York, N.Y.

Education: White Plains High School, 1977; Ithaca College, B.S. Finance, Summa Cum Laude, 1981; Cornell Law School, Doctor of Law, Magna Cum Laude, 1986

First job outside of real estate: Summer Sabrette hot dog cart pusher in Ithaca, N.Y.

First job in real estate or allied field: Real estate lawyer at Shae & Gould (Summer 1985, 1986-1993)

What do you do now and what are you planning for the future? I represent real estate developers on major projects in New York City. In the remaining phase of my career, I hope to improve in a very fundamental way the manner in which lawyers deliver legal services to clients.

How do you unwind from a busy day in real estate? I haven't really figured this out yet so I'm all ears, but sitting on the bow of my boat usually does the trick.

Favorite book or author: Kip Thorne, Richard Feynman, Leonard Susskind (physics authors.)

Favorite movie: "Galaxy Quest"

Last song you purchased/downloaded? Rolling Stones' "Sticky Fingers" re-release

One word to describe your work environment: Hectic

Rules to live by in business: Don't be a schmuck.

If you could invite one person to dinner (living or dead, but not related to you) who would it be and where would you go? Seth Shostak, senior astronomer and director of the Center for SETI Research at the SETI Institute.

What is your dream job? Summer Sabrette hot dog cart pusher in Ithaca, N.Y.

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