



## **Dockwell joins Haynes and Boone LLP**

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Manhattan, NY Haynes and Boone, LLP welcomed real estate litigation partner Brett Dockwell to the firm's New York City office. Dockwell joins the firm from Morrison Cohen, where he spent the last 14 years.

Dockwell's practice focuses on disputes involving real estate financings, ground leases and property valuations. He is considered one of the leading experts in New York City in litigating and arbitrating disputes over the valuation of real estate, including rent reset determinations. He also has extensive experience litigating and negotiating workouts of troubled mortgage and mezzanine loans and large commercial leases (including office and retail leases).

He is the seventh addition to the firm's real estate practice group this year, joining Dan Mallet and David Hengstler in Orange County, Mark Payne in London, George Hinchey in San Antonio, W. Stephen Wilson in San Francisco and Joe Sarcinella in New York City.

"There has been and will continue to be considerable turmoil in real estate markets as a result of changing work patterns and increased interest rates, and joining Haynes Boone, with its broad expertise in all facets of real estate financing, transactions and litigation, will enable me to provide my clients with sophisticated guidance as they navigate these challenges," Dockwell said. "I am very excited to contribute to the continued growth of Haynes Boone's real estate practice."

Dockwell's recent representations include litigations over ground leases for the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Times Square, the Gramercy Park Hotel and One Penn Plaza, as well as litigations and workouts of numerous troubled mortgage and mezzanine loans.

"Brett's addition to our Real Estate Practice Group underscores our commitment to expanding our global real estate capabilities, particularly in dealing with distressed assets, workouts and disputes," said Brad Lavender, co-chair of the Real Estate Practice Group. "With seven new members this year alone, our team is well-positioned to address the increasing complexities and challenges of the real estate market."

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