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Fordham University School of Law,
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David is a founding partner of Lester Bleckner & Shaw LLP and has been one of the leading commercial leasing attorneys in New York City for more than 30 years. In addition to representing a broad range of institutional and individual landlords and tenants, he has been representing ownership of the properties in the Empire State Realty Trust portfolio since he started his career in 1986, including significant aspects of their office leasing, retail leasing and broadcaster and telecommunications licensing transactions. David has a broad range of experience in all types of leasing and licensing matters, including representation of national chain retailers, museums and exhibitors, theater companies, co-working and executive suite operators, operators of broadcasting facilities, medical property owners and health care providers, industrial and warehouse property owners, real estate brokers and restaurant operators.

Representative Transactions:

- Empire State Realty Trust Inc. and its affiliates in various leasing and licensing transactions across its portfolio, including:
 - Retail Leases with Target, Urban Outfitters, Starbucks, Chipotle, Walgreens, Lululemon, Theory, American Eagle, FedEx, Bank of America, Citibank, Wolfgang's, It'Sugar, Chop't, and Heartland Brewery
 - Broadcaster and Telecommunications License Agreements with ABC, NBC, CBS, Fox, WPIX, WNET, Univision, iHeart, Emmis, Verizon, and AT&T
 - Office Leases with Coty, LinkedIn, JCDcaux, Fragomen, Legg Mason, Ernst & Young, Guardian Life Insurance Company, Berkley Insurance Company, Partner Reinsurance Company, Columbus Circle Investors, Archer Daniels Midland, and Jefferies LLC
- Pronovias on leasing matters in connection with its expansion into the US market, including new stores in Austin, Houston, King of Prussia, New York, Boston, Coral Gables, and Beverly Hills
- The Museum of Broadway in connection with a 26,000 square foot lease in Times Square
- Exhibition Hub on leasing and licensing matters in connection with its expansion into the US market, including new Van Gough and Banksy immersive digital art exhibits in New York City, Washington, DC, Los Angeles, Dallas, and Philadelphia
- Virgo Business Centers on leasing matters in connection with its co-working sites throughout New York City
- Tahl/Propp Organization on retail leasing matters for its portfolio of properties in northern Manhattan
- Spitzer Enterprises on medical office and retail leasing matters for its New York City portfolio