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Rick Kirkbride is a partner in the Real Estate practice of Paul Hastings and is based in the firm's Los Angeles office.

Mr. Kirkbride is also Chair of our Hospitality & Leisure practice group and brings 27 years of experience representing institutional real estate companies and capital providers in the acquisition, development, finance and operation of hotels, resorts, other hospitality properties, and businesses throughout North America, Latin America, the Caribbean, Europe, Asia and the Middle East.

Recent Representations

- Baha Mar. Ltd., a resort hotel developer, in negotiating a series of management and other agreements with Hyatt Hotels Corporation, Morgans Hotel Group and Rosewood Hotels & Resorts, each of which will operate and manage different hotel developments at Baha Mar's US\$3.5 billion greenfield resort in the Bahamas, as well as the establishment of horizontal CC&Rs and vertical condominium regimes for boutique and luxury star branded residential offerings throughout the project.
- Dubai World in the formation of a joint venture between Dubai World and MGM that resulted in the US\$8 billion development of CityCenter, the largest single phase construction project in the United States, consisting of a 4,000-room hotel-casino, retail complex, and several condominium towers located on the Las Vegas Strip, as well as the purchase of 9.5% of the stock in MGM Resorts International.
- Starwood Capital Group, L.P. represented Starwood Capital in hotel properties throughout the U.S. for over US\$2 billion. Notably, we represented Starwood Capital on the US\$735 million acquisition of Intown Suites, which owns 168 limited service real estate properties. The firm handled negotiation of the stock purchase agreement as well as difficult due diligence issues, including reviewing permits, licenses, and title issues and the assumption of over US\$600 million of CMBS debt.

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Practice Areas

Real Estate Finance
Real Estate
Gaming and Gambling
Hospitality and Leisure

Admissions

California Bar

Education

Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, J.D. 1983
University of Southern California, B.A. 1979

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Accolades and Recognitions

- Named one of only two lawyers within “Band 1” of the list of “Leaders in their Field” for the Leisure & Hospitality by Chambers in 2007 (the first year for such category) and all subsequent rankings to date
- Named at various times over the last decade as one of the Top 100 lawyers (across all practice areas of law), one of the Top 10 Deal Makers in California as well as one of the top 50 development lawyers in California by both the Los Angeles and San Francisco Daily Journals as well as one of the Top 100 Lawyers in Los Angeles by the Los Angeles Business Journal
- Named Hospitality MVP by Law360

Speaking Engagements and Publications

- Has spoken on various hospitality topics over the last 20 years at seminars and conferences throughout the world, whose sponsors include the International Bar Association, Los Angeles County Bar Association, American Bar Association, UCLA, NYU, University of Houston’s Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management, Northern Arizona University, Florida International University, Columbia University, University of Michigan, Continuing Legal Education Institute, and the International Management Network
- Written articles for, and is quoted frequently in, legal and hospitality industry-related magazines and newspapers
- Editor of Roadmap For Distressed Hospitality Assets: Navigating Through and Creating Opportunity During These Troubled Times, published in 2009
- Surveys of Hotel and Casino Development in Las Vegas and Macau, published in the 2008 Edition of Hotel Yearbook
- “Hotel Financing” was published in the Magazine Hotel Outlook in 2007
- “Mixed Use Resorts” was published in the book Hotel Investments – Issues & Perspectives, Fourth Edition, in 2005

Professional and Community Involvement

- Adjunct Professor at Columbia University, School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation
- Member of the Law360 Hospitality Advisory Board
- Founder of the UCLA Real Estate Conference
- Instructor at UCLA on Hospitality Law
- General Counsel and Member of the Planning Committee of ALIS
- Member of ULI and immediate past Chair (and currently Vice Chair at Large) of its Hotel Development Council
- Member of New York Bar Association of Hotels, Restaurants & Tourism

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Committee

- Previously Full member of the International Society of Hospitality Consultants
- Previously served on the Planning Committee of the UCLA California Restaurant Industry Conference and the Steering Committee on China of the International Travel & Tourism Council
- Past Chair of the Timeshare Committee and Vice Chair of the Hospitality Committee of the American Bar Association
- Member of the Executive Committee of the Real Property Section of the Los Angeles County Bar Association and past Chair of its Real Estate Development Subsection.
- Certified Public Accountant (inactive)

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News

May 01, 2019

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2019

November 29, 2018

Private Co-Working and Cultural Leader NeueHouse Completes Funding Round

May 11, 2018

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2018

October 02, 2017

Carey Watermark Investors & Carey Watermark Investors 2 Acquire Bacara Resort & Spa

June 05, 2017

Carey Watermark Investors 2 Acquires Charlotte Marriott City Center

June 05, 2017

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2017

May 08, 2017

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Northstar Travel Group Acquires Hotel Investment Event Portfolio of Burba Hotel Network

February 23, 2017

Paul Hastings Wins Law360 Hospitality Practice Group of the Year for 2016

January 05, 2017

Carey Watermark Investors 2 Acquires Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco

August 31, 2016

Paul Hastings Represents Carey Watermark Investors 2 in its Acquisition of the Renaissance Atlanta Midtown Hotel

July 25, 2016

Carey Watermark Investors 2 Acquires San Diego Marriott La Jolla

June 08, 2016

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2016

November 13, 2015

Paul Hastings Lawyers Named Law360 IP and Hospitality MVPs

June 02, 2015

Hotel Lotte Acquires New York Palace Hotel

May 20, 2015

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2015

May 27, 2014

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2014

July 09, 2013

Paul Hastings LLP Advises Starwood Capital Group Affiliate in the \$735 Million Acquisition of InTown Suites

June 05, 2013

Paul Hastings Extensive Practice Strength Highlighted in The Legal 500 United States 2013

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May 27, 2013

Paul Hastings Employment Practice Honored with Chambers "Award for Excellence" and Firms Leading Practices and Lawyers Ranked in Chambers USA 2013

February 01, 2013

Paul Hastings Team Assists Korean Air Lines With Major Development Project

July 25, 2012

Paul Hastings Represents Carey Watermark Investors, Inc. in Three Hotel Acquisitions

June 07, 2012

Paul Hastings Excels in Chambers USA 2012 Guide

October 20, 2011

Paul Hastings Represents Maker Maxity in Landmark Mumbai Transactions

September 28, 2011

Paul Hastings Represents Carey Watermark Investors in Joint Venture for the Chateau Bourbon Hotel

September 27, 2011

Paul Hastings Represents Starwood Capital Group in Management Agreements for Silvertree Hotel and Wildwood Lodge

August 02, 2011

Paul Hastings Advises Baha Mar Ltd. on \$3.5 Billion Resort Project

June 10, 2011

Paul Hastings Excels in Chambers USA 2011 Guide

June 01, 2011

Paul Hastings Soars in 2011 Edition of Legal 500 US

March 31, 2011

Paul Hastings Represents Tucker Development in Prudential Center Marriott Hotel Project

June 14, 2010

Paul Hastings Garners Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2010 Guide

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May 07, 2009

Paul Hastings Advises Dubai World on Agreements for Completion of CityCenter

November 27, 2007

Paul Hastings Represents Dubai World in its Joint-Venture Investment in MGM
Mirage

Insights

January 15, 2015

Asian Real Estate Investment Outlook - Top 5 Trends to Follow in 2015

May 14, 2013

Developments in the Hospitality Sector

October 01, 2006

Hospitality Report - Summer 2006

August 01, 2005

Hospitality Report - Summer 2005

April 01, 2005

Hospitality Report - Spring 2005 (European Edition)

August 01, 2003

Hospitality Report - Summer 2003

December 31, 2002

Hospitality Report - Special Edition 2002

Rankings & Awards

April 26, 2019

Recognized by Chambers USA 2019

May 15, 2018

Recognized by Chambers USA 2018

June 05, 2017

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Recognized by Chambers USA 2017

February 15, 2017

Law360 2016 Practice Group of the Year

June 08, 2016

Recognized by Chambers USA 2016

November 09, 2015

Law360 MVP Awards 2015: Hospitality

August 14, 2014

The Daily Journal's Top 50 Real Estate Development Attorneys 2014

February 23, 2011

Daily Journal

September 22, 2010

Recognized by the The Daily Journal among the Top 100 Leading Lawyers

September 17, 2008

Philip Feder and Rick Kirkbride Named in Daily Journal's Top 100 Lawyers in California