



## Kristi R. Riley

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Kristi Riley practices in FMJ's Real Estate group. She represents developers, individuals and entities in matters related to all aspects of land acquisition, development, construction and financing, including drafting, reviewing, and negotiating purchase and sale agreements, options, easements, restrictive covenants, commercial leases, operating easement agreements, development agreements, and financing documentation.

She also advises clients regarding governmental approvals, reviews and advises regarding title and survey issues, drafts and reviews conveyancing documentation, and attends closings. Kristi has extensive experience in retail development and leasing, as well as office and industrial leasing.

Kristi has significant experience in resolving cell tower leasing issues. She has also practiced in the areas of corporate law, employment and labor law, banking and finance, product licensing, and dispute resolution.

**Practice Area:**

Real Estate

**Professional Memberships and Associations:**

Member, Minnesota State Bar Association: 1998 to Present

Member, Minnesota Shopping Center Association: 2003 to Present;  
Member of Program Committee for three years

Member, International Council of Shopping Centers: 2003 to 2015

Member, Minnesota Commercial Real Estate Women: 2006 to 2015

Member, Minnesota Women Lawyers: 2010 to 2015

Executive Board Member, Anoka County Bar Association: Secretary, 2004; Treasurer, 2005; Vice President, 2006; President, 2007; MSBA District Representative and Assembly member, 2009 to June 2015

Commissioner, Blaine City Charter Commission: 1999 to 2001



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Volunteer Mediator: 1993 to 1996. Anoka County Mediation Services. Trained under Rule 114. Conducted mediations in post-divorce and landlord/tenant matters

Board of Directors: Anoka Ramsey Community College, 2012 to Present

Coon Rapids Rotary: 2014 to Present

**Education:**

College of St. Benedict (BA 1992)

Hamline University School of Law (JD 1997)

**State Bar Admissions:**

State of Minnesota (1997)

**Honors:**

Named a "Rising Star" in 2002, 2006, 2007, and 2008 by *Minnesota Law & Politics*

**Articles:**

Faculty, Real Estate Institute, 2014, and co-author of "Critical Provisions in Mixed Use Development Agreements"

**Practice Philosophy:**

"My goal is to provide the highest quality legal services in an effective and efficient manner. I strive to evaluate each of my client's particular needs and goals in a matter or transaction and then implement the best approach to obtain the client's desired results. Collaboration and communication with the client are paramount."

**The Rest of the Story:**

Kristi, her husband Chris and their daughter Chloe live in Andover. She is a self-proclaimed sommelier who enjoys reading, traveling, and spending time with family.