

Miller joins Greenberg Traurig's Real Estate practice

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Greenberg Traurig has added real estate attorney Peter Miller to its New York Real Estate Practice. Miller joins the firm from Akin Gump where he headed that firm's real estate and finance practice group.

Greenberg Traurig's award-winning real estate practice has 200 members in offices in the United States, Europe and Asia.

"We have remained strong and stable, allowing us to strategically elevate the firm since the beginning of the downturn several years ago. We are adding high level talent across our practices and offices to continuously provide clients an edge. During these changing times, we have remained one firm, built without mergers. We have put our culture, quality and financial discipline first, an approach that has attracted top talent and clients," said Richard A. Rosenbaum, Greenberg Traurig's Chief Executive Officer. "We move quickly when we see opportunities --in this case, by adding strength to strength, further enriching what I believe is the finest real estate practice in New York City and beyond."

Miller has had a prominent career working on high-visibility projects, including his representation of the purchaser of the leasehold interests of World Trade Center. He recently represented an investment bank in the development of its new world headquarters, which included the structuring of a \$700 million synthetic lease for the 1.2 million square foot building.

"We've known and worked with Peter for a long time," said Robert J. Ivanhoe, Chair of Greenberg Traurig's Global Real Estate Practice and New York office. "He is one of the most highly respected real estate lawyers in the country with considerable experience in handling high stakes, complex transactions." He added: "It's an honor to bring someone of Peter's extraordinary talent and reputation into the firm, and our clients will greatly benefit from his experience working with the city's leading owners and investors."

"Greenberg's client list speaks for itself. Over many years in the industry I've also come to know and respect Rob Ivanhoe, Stephen Rabinowitz and their team. I am very pleased to join such a talented group of attorneys working on some of the most exciting deals happening today. We're all looking forward to working together to get the best results for our clients," said Miller.

Miller has extensive experience in real estate finance. His practice also has a strong emphasis on acquisitions, development, joint ventures and financings. He primarily represents owners and developers of investment properties, including private equity funds and other titleholders in the real estate marketplace. Miller handles large, complicated transactions and has managed complex

financial and partnership arrangements and represented financial institutions in the purchase and sale of participation interests, A-B notes and mezzanine loans.

Miller holds a J.D. from New York University School of Law and a B.S. from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

In 2010, the Greenberg Traurig Real Estate team received the Chambers USA Award for Excellence. The Chambers award honors outstanding law firms and legal professionals around the world that reflect both pre-eminence in key practice areas and achievements over the last 12 months, including notable work, strategic growth, excellence in client service and contribution to the legal profession.

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