

Real Estate Boutique Firm, Berry Riddell & Rosensteel, Formed

Firm's lawyers focus on real estate transactions, zoning and land use

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John Berry, Wendy Riddell and Ryan Rosensteel recently formed Berry Riddell & Rosensteel, with the goal of becoming Arizona's premier boutique real estate law firm. The firm provides a full array of services to developers, owners, brokers and others involved in real estate transactions, including land use and planning, financing, development, leasing and construction.

Berry is known as the premier zoning and land use lawyer in Scottsdale and has been integral to many of the most important real estate projects in the area, including Mayo Clinic, Scottsdale Healthcare, SkySong, Troon, Scottsdale Waterfront, W Hotel and Optima Camelview Village. Berry graduated cum laude from University of Arizona in three years with a business degree. He completed his law degree at Stanford University in 1981. He is recognized among *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Chambers USA Leading Lawyers in America and is AV® Preeminent Peer Review Rated. Berry was recently inducted into the Scottsdale History Hall of Fame. He is involved in many professional organizations, including Urban Land Institute, Arizona Planning Association and the American Planning Association.

Riddell, also an AV® Preeminent Peer Review Rated zoning and land use lawyer, has practiced alongside Berry throughout her career, representing clients throughout Maricopa County. She has been involved in projects of all sizes, including the Brophy/Xavier Sports Complex, the Preserve at Goldfield Ranch, Fountain Hills State Land Department Development Master Plan and numerous projects for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Phoenix. She is recognized by Southwest Super Lawyers as a Rising Star and was a member of Scottsdale Leadership Class XVII. Riddell served on the City of Phoenix Development Process Ad Hoc Task Force and the City of Scottsdale District Advisory Task Force. Riddell is a graduate of Colgate University with a double major in English and Fine Arts with an emphasis on architecture and received her J.D. from Arizona State University School of Law where she was a member of the Order of Barristers and a Pedrick Scholar. She is the Board President of Christ Church School and currently serves on the boards of two Challenge Foundation Schools, the Pioneer Preparatory Academy and Hirsch Academy.

Rosensteel is a real estate transactional attorney whose practice focuses on leasing, asset acquisition and disposition, finance, development and construction. He represents landlords and tenants in retail, office and industrial lease negotiations of all sizes. Rosensteel represents buyers and sellers in improved and unimproved property transactions and has represented borrowers and small lenders in finance transactions, including complex loans from CMBS lenders and Fannie Mae. Rosensteel is LEED certified, a member of NAIOP and recognized by Southwest Super Lawyers as a Rising Star. He serves on the Board of Directors for Habitat for Humanity Central Arizona and has served on the national and local boards of the University of Arizona Alumni Association, including as local board president. Rosensteel is a graduate of University of Arizona's James E. Rogers College of Law and received undergraduate degrees at University of Arizona in Molecular and Cellular Biology and Political Science, where he was a Flinn Scholar.

In addition to the founding partners, the firm's attorneys include Anthony Grafitti, Todd Hall and Ed Tybor.

Grafitti received both his undergraduate and law degrees from Arizona State University. His practice includes a diverse array of real estate transactions, including multi-family housing developments and distressed properties. Grafitti has done extensive work with one of the country's largest REITs, disposing of apartment projects throughout the United States. Grafitti joined Berry, Riddell and Rosensteel after practicing at two large law firms.

Hall is a graduate of the University of Kentucky and Vanderbilt School of Law. He handles complex real estate financing, due diligence, development and disposition of properties for clients throughout Arizona. Hall has served as in-house counsel for a local homebuilder and a national REIT.

Tybor is a 2011 graduate of Marquette University Law School and a 2007 graduate of University of Arizona. Tybor practices in real estate transactions and is a member of both the Arizona and Wisconsin Bar Associations.