

Press Release

Akerman Bolsters Hospitality and M&A Teams with Transactional Partner Ronald Kornreich

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Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm serving clients across the Americas, has bolstered its hospitality, real estate and corporate teams with the addition of transactional partner [Ronald Kornreich](#). He builds upon Akerman's core strengths in mergers and acquisitions and joint ventures.

“We continue to grow our national Hospitality Sector Team with experienced lawyers across multiple practice areas to further serve the diverse and changing needs of our clients,” said [Andrew Robins](#), chair of Akerman's Hospitality Sector Team. “Ron is a highly talented and versatile transactional lawyer with vast knowledge and experience in the hospitality sector, having worked on a broad range of deals throughout the U.S. and around the world.”

Kornreich has worked with virtually all the leading hotel companies, negotiating hotel management contracts. He handles acquisitions and sales in the hospitality space, representing buyers and sellers of individual hotel assets, hotel portfolios and hotel management companies. He also regularly negotiates franchise agreements, joint venture agreements, financing arrangements, and residential management, marketing, and license agreements.

Kornreich's practice also encompasses a wide range of commercial transactions. He represents

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commercial real estate developers, investors, and capital providers in negotiating partnership agreements, operating agreements, and other joint venture arrangements for investments in office, retail, senior housing facility, multifamily, and office projects. He is also a skilled mergers and acquisitions lawyer with extensive experience with middle-market transactions in a variety of sectors, including manufacturing, technology and sports.

Kornreich joins what *Law360* ranked as one of the world's largest Real Estate Practice Groups and a leading mergers and acquisitions teams in the United States. He follows a wave of lateral partner hires in the Los Angeles, New York, Chicago and Dallas markets, who bring a cross-section of experience to Akerman's Hospitality Sector Team. The team most recently welcomed former general counsel of global real estate conglomerate Reading International Inc. William "Bill" Ellis in Los Angeles. In the last year, Akerman also added real estate transactional partners Jane Hinton in Los Angeles, New York-based Dianne Greenberg Penchina and Ian Tattenbaum, along with labor and employment litigator Bran Noonan, and bankruptcy and restructuring partners David Parham and John Mitchell in Dallas.

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Akerman's Hospitality Sector team represents owners, operators, developers, and financial institutions across the United States, Latin America,

and the Caribbean. The multidisciplinary team of lawyers, policy advisors, and urban planners provide comprehensive sector-related services in the areas of acquisitions and sales, development, complex financing transactions, management agreements, and other operational issues. The team also assists clients in risk avoidance matters, including regulatory compliance, litigation and restructuring.