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Hospitality

Owners, developers, and operators of hospitality assets, including branded and unbranded hotels and resorts, and other leisure products, face a host of legal issues that can impact their operational success and growth in a quickly evolving market. The ability to embrace change is often a key to success in this dynamic and competitive sector.

Akerman's national Hospitality Sector Team provides comprehensive, 360-degree legal counsel to a broad range of hospitality sector clients. Noted by *Chambers USA* for providing "solid and practical advice," our seasoned lawyers have a thorough understanding of the hospitality business and its inherent risks, challenges, and emerging opportunities. By leveraging our wealth of sector experience, in-depth market knowledge, and industry-specific insights, we help clients address challenges as well as new opportunities with fresh ideas and creative solutions.

Our team advises owners and developers of hotels, resorts, and mixed-use developments throughout the United States, Latin America, the Caribbean, and around the world. From project conception to operations and disposition, our work includes complex equity and debt transactions, construction issues, regulatory compliance, technology and cyber security matters, dispute resolution, labor and employment, immigration, state and local tax, franchising, licensing and branding issues, and restructuring.

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