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Real Estate Litigation

Pryor Cashman is one of the few firms of its caliber that maintains a group of attorneys devoted exclusively to providing representation in real estate litigation. Our Real Estate Litigation Group represents a wide variety of clients, ranging from commercial and residential owners and developers to hotel owners and operators to large corporations and tenants in all varieties of disputes that arise in the real estate world.

Because the Real Estate Litigation Group is devoted solely to real estate clients and their litigation issues and matters, Pryor Cashman brings to the table skill and experience in all areas of real estate, including:

- Acquisition disputes
- Commercial lease litigation
- Complex landlord-tenant disputes
- Construction law
- Cooperative and condominium law
- Environmental law
- Partnership issues
- Real estate development
- Rent regulation
- Title insurance issues

Our attorneys have extensive trial experience at all levels, having represented clients in numerous state and federal courts, both at the trial and appellate levels, and also at complex arbitrations and mediations.

In addition to litigation, our attorneys regularly work hand-in-hand with the attorneys in our Real Estate Group to provide advice in connection with transactions including acquisitions, financings, leasing, construction, cooperative and condominium plans and real estate development.

By matching our real estate clients with litigators who share their experience and skill, Pryor Cashman is able to provide unparalleled real estate litigation services. Samples of some of our recent matters include:

- In a case of first impression in New York, obtained summary judgment in N.Y. Supreme Court (and affirmance by Appellate Division, 1st Dept.) on behalf of a prestigious law firm on its claim for trespass against outgoing commercial holdover tenant which had failed to vacate its space after its lease had expired
- Obtained reversal in Appellate Division, 1st Dept. on behalf of an internationally acclaimed restaurant whose recently granted liquor license had

been cancelled by a lower court in Article 78 proceeding on the basis that the license was improperly issued by New York State Liquor Authority

- Successfully represented nationally renowned hotel in litigation against a vendor/tenant of hotel chain which had attempted to consolidate that proceeding with a separate suit it had commenced against the hotel concerning alleged breach of their contractual arrangement
- Successfully represented a developer of a luxury condominium building in extensive arbitration proceedings relating to defective construction of the project
- Representing real estate developers seeking to clear development sites of tenants in order to proceed with development project
- Successfully represented the largest owner/operator of performing arts venues in the world in an arbitration relating to the construction and development of a 14,000 person outdoor amphitheater; our representation involved the detailed analysis of construction drawings, estimated and actual costs of construction and change orders, and accounting and income recognition issues
- Representing the corporate owners of a hotel in connection with foreclosure and judgment enforcement issues relating to the Castor Holdings matters and litigation involving multiple financial institutions with competing interests