



# 2025 Woman of Distinction

## Real Estate Law



### **Dusty Elias Kirk**

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Dusty is a trusted adviser to clients in all aspects of real estate development, negotiating complex contractual arrangements for acquisitions and dispositions. Her real estate work has an emphasis on real estate litigation, including real estate tax-assessment appeals, land-use and zoning appeals, and eminent domain proceedings. Dusty counsels clients on an array of sustainability issues that impact development projects, including resolving disputes, managing risk avoidance, obtaining regulatory approvals, and transportation-related issues.

Dusty's work in real estate development includes handling the acquisition, financing, and tax increment financing for commercial, retail, office, industrial, and institutional properties and obtaining economic incentives for development projects. She regularly handles issues involving public-private partnerships, and transportation issues including highway occupancy permits.