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OVERVIEW

Katesha is a strategic thinker who enjoys helping real estate clients solve legal problems at hand while creating clear pathways for future growth.

Katesha is appreciated for her strategy and long-term thinking. She focuses her practice in the real estate sector, helping developers, retailers and investors overcome obstacles and seize opportunities through the purchase, sale and leasing of property. She has also advised municipalities in all aspects of municipal law, including planning, zoning, financing and development incentives. In addition to her real estate work, Katesha provides legal services to museums, art collectors and not-for-profit organizations in all aspects of art law.

Whether analyzing and drafting lease agreements or navigating changing regulatory and zoning issues, Katesha prides herself on not only identifying the long-term goals, but also thinking outside the box with fresh ideas and solutions. She collaborates throughout the firm to handle matters of:

- Franchise and distribution
- Lease portfolios
- Economic incentives
- Risk mitigation
- Strategic acquisitions

Industry

Real Estate, Development & Construction

Services

Construction & Design
Corporate Real Estate
Development Incentives & Tax
Credits
Land Use
Opportunity Zones
Retail Real Estate

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Katesha understands that at the heart of any legal real estate project is a business question, and that each business is unique. She prides herself on connecting with clients, getting to know their individual goals and anticipating their real estate needs in order to offer customized legal counsel.

Case Study

Effectuating Property Transfer to Children After Mother's Passing Through Urban League Pro Bono Legal Intake Clinic

Our attorneys assisted a client in having her late mother's home transferred to her and her siblings.

Experience

- Assisted with project development work for Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners for 18 months
 on Fighting Jays 476 MWdc solar project, originally developed by AP Solar Holdings, and
 assisted in CIP's tax equity financing of the project.
- Advised municipalities in all aspects of municipal law, including planning, zoning, financing and development incentives.
- Provided legal services to major museums, art collectors and not-for-profit organizations in all aspects of art law.
- Assisted with purchase, sale and leasing work for a wide variety of properties, including industrial and retail.
- During post-graduate internship, drafted proposal to the court to amend and remand for lack
 of subject matter jurisdiction for the Hon. Brian C. Wimes, U.S. District Court, Western
 District of Missouri.

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Recognition

- National Black Lawyers (NBL), Top 40 Under 40, 2023
- Missouri Bar Pro Bono Wall of Fame, 2021

Education

- J.D., Howard University School of Law
 - Howard Human & Civil Rights Law Review, Staff Editor; Executive Notes and Comments Editor
 - o cum laude
 - CALI Excellence for the Future Awards: Property, Business Organizations, and Commercial Law
 - o La Alianza, Secretary and Vice President
 - o Black Law Students Association (BLSA)
 - o Phi Alpha Delta (PAD)
 - o Contracts Teaching Assistant
- B.A., University of Missouri-Kansas City
 - Study Abroad

Admissions

- Missouri
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri

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