Landlord/Tenant Response Team

Landlords, tenants, and their lenders face unique and difficult challenges as they navigate the economic and social changes of today's world. In response, Lane Powell has assembled a cross-practice team of attorneys to assist businesses and individuals with a variety of landlord/tenant solutions. This collaborative team advises businesses looking to restructure, and both landlords and tenants seeking to renegotiate, terminate, or reassess their lease agreements.

Our Landlord/Tenant Response Team advises businesses and individuals regarding all aspects of landlord/tenant law. Clients include national chains, senior housing providers, commercial lenders, high net worth individuals, and institutional landlords.

Our team stays on top of the rapidly developing legal landscape, including financial assistance programs, local and state regulations, and court rulings and procedures. This expertise allows Lane Powell to advocate for our clients with maximum effectiveness.

Where restructuring or bankruptcy is the best option, our team of attorneys and professional staff is prepared to help clients identify the best path forward regarding their long term leases, including the immediate impact of those lease decisions on bankruptcy and their longer term ramifications.

Our team also advises landlords and tenants regarding lease enforceability, force majeure, collections, and litigation strategy.

With extensive experience representing clients on both sides of the contract, our dynamic and cross-practicing team is prepared to help any landlord or tenant, regardless of size, with:

- · Restructuring;
- · Lease renegotiations;
- Lease terminations;

- Evictions;
- · Rent increase moratoriums;
- · Collections; and

 Rent analysis and litigation preparation.

Experience

- COVID-19-based restructuring of leases for national chain.
- Extensive renegotiation of leases for all types of commercial landlords and tenants.
- Advice to senior housing providers regarding applicability of evictions and rent increase moratoriums.
- Advice to commercial landlords to ensure collection of rent guarantee from surety.
- Litigation strategy regarding lease enforceability and assessment of various defenses including force majeure, contractual impossibility, and frustration of purpose.
- Enforcing creditors' rights in bankruptcy-related proceedings.

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Meet the Team



ABE LORBER | 206.223.7434 | lorbera@lanepowell.com

Abe Lorber represents both landlords and tenants in evictions, collection actions, lease enforcements, and other types of real estate litigation. Abe also negotiates on behalf of landlords and tenants regarding all aspects of their leases.



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Bruce Cahn is an experienced litigator who has represented large-scale commercial landlords and nationally recognized tenants in a variety of matters, including co-tenancy disputes, lease terminations, and Forcible Entry and Detainer (FED) actions. Bruce's experience with both lease litigation and transactions provides unique insight for landlords and tenants navigating these uncertain times.



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Greg Fox is the Co-Chair of Lane Powell's Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights practice team. He represents lenders, landlords, and tenants in all aspects of insolvency and lease default situations, including restructuring, enforcement, assumption/rejection, and the protection of rights inside and outside of bankruptcy and state court receivership proceedings.



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Julie Seidenstein actively assists landlords and tenants by addressing the renegotiation of commercial leases for all types of real estate assets, both regionally and nationally, and advising clients on restructuring their real estate assets.



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Andrew Geppert routinely represents clients in all aspects of insolvency work, including the representation of debtors, lenders, creditors, trustees, and receivers both in and out-of-court. Additionally, Andrew advises on commercial lease rules in bankruptcy proceedings.

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Mohammed Workicho helps individuals and companies navigate the complexities of litigation, arbitration, and mediation, including in trademark, non-compete, and other business disputes. Leveraging his experience in complex commercial litigation matters, Mohammed routinely assists landlords and property owners with Forcible Entry and Detainer (FED) actions across Oregon.



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Dan Kittle helps clients navigate complex contract disputes and shareholder disputes. Dan uses his expertise in these areas to help businesses, shareholders, landlords, and tenants fight for their interests and achieve resolution.