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Matthew Smith is a member of Bodman's Banking and Real Estate Practice Groups. He focuses his practice on commercial real estate finance, as well as complex real estate transactions.

Before joining Bodman in June 2021 he practiced in the Finance Practice Group of an Am Law 100 firm where he represented institutional and nonbank lenders, financial institutions, and servicers in a broad range of commercial real estate finance transactions, including commercial mortgage loan originations, repurchase and warehouse facilities, and special servicing and master servicing matters. He also practiced in the Global Finance Practice Group of an Am Law 50 firm focusing primarily on collateralized loan obligation securitization transactions.

Mr. Smith is recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch* in the area of Banking and Finance Law, in *Grand Rapids Magazine* Top Lawyers in the area of Real Estate Law, and in *Michigan Rising Stars* in the area of Real Estate Law.

Mr. Smith received his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. He received a B.A. in political science and history from the University of Michigan.

HONORS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITION

- *The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch* 2021-2025, Banking and Finance Law
- *Grand Rapids Magazine* Top Lawyers 2022-2025, 2027, Real Estate Law

practices & industries

Real Estate

Banking and Finance

education

Georgetown University Law Center, J.D.

University of Michigan, B.A.

admissions

Michigan

- *Grand Rapids Magazine* Top Lawyers, 2027, Banking & Financial Service Law
- *Michigan Rising Stars 2025-2026*, Real Estate

CIVIC, CULTURAL, AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Allegan County Economic Development Commission, Real Estate/Development Representative

PRO BONO

- State Bar of Michigan 2024 A Lawyer Helps Pro Bono Honor Roll