



## Jeffrey Merar

Partner

Chicago  
312 580 5036 direct  
312 580 2201 fax  
jmerar@thompsoncoburn.com

### EDUCATION

- Northwestern University School of Law, J.D., cum laude, 2009
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, B.S., 2005

### ADMISSIONS

- Illinois

### AFFILIATIONS

- Illinois State Bar Association
- Chicago Bar Association

### EMPLOYMENT

- Thompson Coburn LLP  
Partner, 2019-Present  
Associate, 2015-2018
- Field and Goldberg, LLC  
Associate, 2012-2015
- Lindsay, Rappaport & Postel,  
LLC Associate, 2009-2012

### RECOGNITIONS

- Included in Super Lawyers  
Rising Stars List (by  
Thomson Reuters), 2020-  
2024

Jeff serves a diverse segment of real estate clients by offering a 360-degree approach to achieving their objectives.

Jeff's distinct experience with both transactional and litigation-based commercial real estate allows him to advise on a wide range of industry-related issues.

Specifically, Jeff's real estate finance practice involves both lender and borrower representation in all facets of complex loan transactions, including construction lending, acquisition financing, commercial financing, asset-based lending, and operating loans across the country. This lending experience is complimented by Jeff's litigation background in commercial mortgage foreclosure actions, and related workout, breach of contract action, and post-judgment collection matters.

Jeff regularly represents industry professionals in their acquisitions and dispositions across all commercial real estate asset types. He represents both landlords and tenants in a wide range of lease transactions on a national scale.

The driving force behind Jeff's practice is a practical approach focused on achieving efficient results suited to his clients' particular objectives. Jeff's broad experience allows him to assist his clients in making valuable connections within the real estate and banking industries.