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Real Estate

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Time kills deals.



## JAMES BOND

Jim Bond chairs our real estate law practice group with an ethos of quickly delivering quality results to our clients. As a skilled real estate attorney, he shepherds complex real estate transactions by combining industry knowledge with creative problem solving, communication and unmatched responsiveness.

In an age of uncertainty in world markets where factors like Blockchain, tax reform and interest rates affect local real estate markets, Jim takes great pride in providing practical and timely advice to meet the needs of each client's unique challenges and problems. Whether the goal is to purchase an office building, sell a golf course or lease a restaurant space, Jim counsels clients in all types of real estate transactions.

Through his experience as an Indian law attorney, he also possesses broad experience involving Native American land transactions, and he understands the complexities of working with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). Jim has represented dozens of developers and investors in acquiring and selling Native American ground lease interests and managing the development process on tribal land.

From an early age, Jim knew he wanted to be a transactional attorney and he loves working through deals, being a part of a team and moving the ball forward in an arena where he believes everyone can win if you do it right. Jim is a member of [ULI Next](#) and [NAIOP](#), leading organizations that are helping the Phoenix market grow responsibly and sustainably.

Outside of work, Jim is family-focused and spends time with his wife and two children. An avid golfer, he can often be found caddying for his teenage son who was recently honored by serving as a standard-bearer at the Phoenix Open.

## EDUCATION

J.D., University of San Diego School of Law, *magna cum laude*

B.S., Ferris State University, with honors

## AREAS OF PRACTICE

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

Indian Law

Real Estate

## REPRESENTATIVE CASES

Represents master developer of 225+ acre project on Native American land, including negotiating and drafting master leases, substitute leases, ground subleases, and financing instruments, and assisting with strategy for development of project.

Represents publicly-traded homebuilders in connection with acquisition and development of residential projects, including preparation of form retail contracts and construction contracts.

Represented global investment company on \$55+ million sale of two office buildings located on tribal land.

Represented investment management company on \$65+ million acquisition of office building located on tribal land.

Represented rapidly growing company in establishing corporate headquarters on tribal land.

Represented developer of retail center in connection with acquisition and development of project, including negotiating lease with national grocer tenant.

Represented investment company in the acquisition of over 1,100 acres of property for approximately \$28 million.

Represented local homebuilder in the acquisition of an \$8 million private golf course in Pinal County, Arizona, including the preparation of new membership documents for the private golf club.

Represented developer in connection with the formation of high-end office condominiums in Glendale, Arizona and Scottsdale, Arizona.

Represented non-profit organization in connection with the development of a national residential leasing program for military personnel, and the preparation of related leasing forms.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

*Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup>, Native American Law, Real Estate Law, 2020-2025

*Chambers USA*, Leading Lawyers for Business, 2020-2024

Recommended in *The Legal 500 US*, Real Estate, 2019-2020

AV<sup>®</sup> Preeminent<sup>™</sup> Peer Review Rated (the highest rating available), by Martindale-Hubbell

## ARTICLES AND PRESENTATIONS

Featured, "[People & Projects to Know in Commercial Real Estate](#)," *AZ Big Media*, December 2025

Author, "Booming commercial development on Native American land calls for legal guidance," *Phoenix Business Journal*, June 29, 2022

Author, "Commercial Development of Native American land is booming and now more complicated," *AZ Big Media*, March 2022

Interview, "CRE Law Q&A," *Commercial Executive Magazine*, January 16, 2021

Interview, "Growth, Growth, and more Growth!" *Fennemore Blog*, GROWTH, GROWTH, AND MORE GROWTH!

Quoted, "Ask These 5 Questions When Reevaluating COVID Office Space Needs," *Small Biz Club*, November 20, 2020

Quoted, "How COVID-19 might affect the commercial real estate market," *MultiBriefs*, May 22, 2020

Co-author, "[Commercial Leases in the Age of COVID-19](#)," *Fennemore Client Alert*, May 6, 2020

Quoted, "The Coronavirus Impact on the Real Estate Industry," *AZ Big Media*, March 13, 2020

Quoted, "After Recent Run, Developers Could Face Zoning Hurdles in 2020," *AZ Big Media*, December 30, 2019

Co-author, "[The Evolving Demand for Retail Spaces](#)," *Commercial Property Executive*, February 4, 2019

Interview, "New Fennemore Craig Real Estate Chair Eyes Expansion," *Law360*, May 14, 2018

## **PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Member, State Bar of Arizona

Member, NAIOP

Member, Urban Land Institute Young Leaders Group

Member, Valley Partnership Golf Tournament Committee

## **ADMISSIONS**

Arizona