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Zaki Robbins is a business, finance, and real estate attorney at Fennemore who counsels companies, investors, and emerging growth clients on complex transactions and regulatory matters. He combines broad subject-matter experience with a practical, solutions-oriented approach to help clients achieve their strategic goals.

In his corporate practice, Zaki advises on mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance, and capital raising. He structures transactions, coordinates diligence, negotiates definitive agreements, and manages closings, while counseling boards and executives on fiduciary duties, governance frameworks, and compliance. His financing experience spans debt and equity transactions for growth, recapitalizations, and investor exits.

His real estate and finance practice emphasizes mortgage markets and complex real estate transactions. He represents issuers, loan sellers, and investors in commercial mortgage-backed securitizations, as well as buyers and sellers of commercial and multifamily mortgage loans, loan participations, and other structured debt instruments. He also advises lenders, funds, and investors on the origination, acquisition, financing, and restructuring of commercial real estate assets, including mortgage and mezzanine loans, revolving credit facilities, and debtor-in-possession financings.

Zaki represents venture capital funds and startups throughout the investment lifecycle, including negotiating term sheets and investment agreements, guiding companies through seed and later-stage financings, and structuring governance frameworks that scale. He regularly advises on investor rights, secondary transactions, and exit planning.

He also advises developers, investors, and operators in the renewable energy sector on project development, finance, and regulatory matters. His work includes power purchase agreements, project finance structures, and compliance considerations affecting siting, interconnection, and project economics, from initial negotiations through closing.

His privacy practice includes designing and implementing compliance programs, risk assessments, and governance structures under state and federal regimes. He advises on aligning legal obligations with business operations, incident response, and vendor and data-sharing arrangements.

Committed to civic leadership, Zaki has participated in the Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation's programs and has served with organizations including the Colorado Bar Association, the Colorado Solar and Storage Association, the Denver Preschool Program, Mullen High School, the Hampden Heights Civic Association, and Back on My Feet Denver.

EDUCATION

J.D., University of Michigan

B.A., University of Virginia

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Business & Finance

Advanced Energy

Emerging Businesses & Technologies

Mergers & Acquisitions

Privacy & Data Security

Real Estate

Cannabis Business

AWARDS AND HONORS

Best Lawyers in America[®], Real Estate Law, 2026

500 Leading U.S. Energy Lawyers, Lawdragon, 2025-2026

5280 Magazine Top Securities Lawyer 2022 – 2024

Attorney Intel: Top 25 Attorneys of Colorado, 2024

Best Lawyers in America[®], Ones to Watch, Corporate Law, 2023 – 2024; Energy Law and Mergers and Acquisitions Law, 2024

Colorado Super Lawyers Rising Star: Business/Corporate, 2023 – 2024

Law Week Colorado "Barrister's Best" Securities Lawyer, 2023

ARTICLES AND PRESENTATIONS

Featured, "[Denver's Top Lawyers 2026](#)," *5280 Magazine*, January 2026

Co-Author, "[Business Contracts in 2025: Straightforward Answers for Nuanced Situations](#)," Fennemore Blog, August 14, 2025

Author, "[Colorado's Clean Energy Commitment: Staying the Course Amid Federal Policy Shifts](#)," Fennemore Blog, June 10, 2025

Co-Author, "[Treasury Suspends Enforcement of Corporate Transparency Act & Proposes Narrowed Scope](#)," Fennemore Blog, March 5, 2025

Author, "[Q&A: How advanced energy is vital to the U.S. meeting the projected surge in energy demand](#)," *Denver Business Journal*, March 1, 2025

Co-Author, "[Client Alert: Corporate Transparency Act Compliance – New Filing Deadline & Compliance Tool](#)," Fennemore Blog, February 20, 2025

Co-Author, "[Nationwide Injunction Temporarily Halts Corporate Transparency Act BOIR Filing Requirements: What You Need to Know](#)," Fennemore Blog, December 5, 2024

Quoted, "[New Treasury Reporting Rules May Be A Shock To Many Cos.](#)," *Law360 Tax Authority*, January 2024

Co-Author, "[Corporate Transparency Act and Beneficial Ownership Reporting](#)," *Firm Blog*, January 2024

Co-Author, "[Energize Denver: Moving toward a more sustainable Denver](#)," *Colorado Real Estate Journal*, December 2023

Co-Author, "[Client Alert: Beneficial Ownership Reporting and How it Affects Business Owners](#)," *Firm Blog*, April 2023

Author, "[EVs, Supply Chains, and Infrastructure: 4 Renewable Energy Trends to Watch in 2022](#)," *Renewable Energy World*, February 2022

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association

Colorado Bar Association, Executive Council 2019 – 2021

Colorado Bar Foundation, Bar Fellow

Colorado General Counsel Mentorship Program, 2020 – 2022

Colorado Solar and Storage Association, Board Member and Secretary

Colorado Water Trust, Tributary

Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation, Leadership Denver, 2023; Impact Denver, Spring 2019

Denver Preschool Program, Board Member

Mullen High School, Board of Trustees

Sam Carey Bar Association

ADMISSIONS

Colorado

New York