

# Holden Legal Group LLC Merges with A.Y. Strauss; Matthew L. Holden Joins A.Y. Strauss as Partner, Real Estate and Corporate Practice Groups



A.Y. Strauss, a leading boutique law firm focused on commercial transactions and litigation in the areas of real estate, bankruptcy, franchising law, construction contracting, and labor & employment, is pleased to announce that Matthew L. Holden, Esq., has merged his law firm Holden Legal Group, LLC with A.Y. Strauss, effective June 1, 2021. Holden joins as a partner in A.Y. Strauss's Real Estate and Corporate practice groups.

Holden represents developers, borrowers, lenders, and other entities in large-scale commercial real estate transactions related to retail, office, multifamily, hotel, condominium, and industrial spaces. He also provides counsel in risk-avoidance and complex transactions and disputes. His clients include startups, emerging companies, and Fortune 500 companies alike.

Holden earned his J.D. from the University of Miami School of Law, where he was a member of the Real Estate and Trust Law Society. He earned his BBA in Finance from Emory University Goizueta School of Business. He is licensed to practice in New York and New Jersey; the United States District Court, Southern District of New York; and the United States District Court, District of New Jersey.

Prior to founding Holden Legal Group in Hackensack, NJ and New York City in June 2009, Holden practiced corporate and securities law at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, and thereafter served as in-house counsel at Ospraie Management, LLC, the investment manager for the Ospraie Funds, where he worked on corporate, hedge fund, securities and real estate matters. Prior to earning his law degree, Holden worked in investment banking for Lehman Brothers Inc.