

# Stroock Expands National Real Estate Practice With Partner Michael Kosmas in D.C.

In an exciting expansion of its hospitality sector capabilities, Stroock welcomes partner Michael S. Kosmas to the firm's D.C. office.

A leader in real estate and corporate law for the hospitality industry, Michael joins from Kelley Drye & Warren, where he was Deputy Chair of its Global Hospitality and Leisure practice.

Michael has represented some of the world's largest hotel owners and operators in the drafting and negotiation of complex franchise and management contracts, as well as matters involving the development, acquisition, disposition and financing of hotel and resort properties across the globe. His industry work also includes structuring of sophisticated transactions not only for owners, operators and developers, but also for investors and lenders as well.

Over his career, Michael devoted significant pro bono efforts to the Archdiocese of Washington and Catholic Charities. Prior to private practice, Michael spent nearly a decade as a senior aide to late U.S. Congresswoman Helen Delich Bentley.

Michael earned his J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law and his B.A. from Loyola College in Maryland.