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Katherine Bills' auto dealership and commercial real estate practice is built around holistic, long-term relationships with clients. As a shareholder in Reinhart's Real Estate Practice, she works from the firm's Milwaukee and Chicago offices.

Katherine represents motor vehicle dealerships and their owners in both Illinois and Wisconsin in acquisitions and sales, financing (floor plan and real estate loans), manufacturer negotiations and franchise agreements, consumer fraud complaints, contracts, business and succession planning (including their interplay with estate planning), real estate and leasing matters, and employment contracts. She understands how dealerships operate and the unique issues faced by the industry.

She also represents commercial real estate developers, property management companies and real estate investors in both Illinois and Wisconsin. Katherine advises on developments, acquisitions, sales, partnerships, financing, leasing arrangements, 1031 exchanges, special use permits and sales tax rebate agreements. She brings extra value in her ability to also handle entitlements, zoning issues and tax increment financing.

Her practice is founded on client relationships that extend beyond the transactional. Katherine provides comprehensive counsel based on her understanding of clients' needs and long-term plans. Her primary objective is to help her clients simultaneously achieve their immediate and long-term goals, with an eye towards focusing on common-sense business solutions and efficiencies.

Katherine participates in [Forward48](#), a leadership development program helping to shape the future of Milwaukee through learning, professional development and networking. In her free time, she enjoys reading, trying new restaurants with her husband, traveling and cheering on the Wisconsin Badgers.

Education

- J.D., magna cum laude, University of Minnesota Law School
- B.A., Psychology and Political Science, Distinguished Honors, University of Wisconsin-Madison



Bar Admissions

Illinois, Wisconsin

Practices

- Real Estate

Services

- Real Estate Leasing
- Financial Institutions
- Commercial and Competition Law

Honors & Affiliations

Honors

- Selected for inclusion in *Super Lawyers* (2019-2022, Rising Star; Super Lawyer, 2023)

Affiliations

- State Bar of Wisconsin
- Milwaukee Bar Association
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Chicago Bar Association
- National Association of Dealer Counsel
- NAIOP
- WCREW