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Baker Donelson Adds Real Estate Shareholder Christian Schütz in Nashville

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The national law firm Baker Donelson has added real estate attorney Christian Schütz as a shareholder in the Firm's Nashville office, further strengthening its national real estate platform and expanding its cross-border capabilities.

Mr. Schütz brings a sophisticated, deal-driven practice focused on commercial real estate, finance, cross-border transactions, and economic development. He regularly advises clients on complex, high-value commercial real estate matters, such as acquisitions and dispositions, commercial leasing, construction and development (both greenfield and brownfield), and project financing. He handles office, retail, warehouse, and industrial leasing for tenant and landlord clients. His experience spans a wide array of asset classes, including office, retail, industrial, warehouse, manufacturing, multifamily, hospitality, education, and health care real estate, as well as domestic and international investment transactions.

"Christian's substantial experience in real estate transactions across a range of industries is a solid complement to our team of real estate and economic development attorneys who are deeply skilled in handling large, complex transactions on a regional, national, and international scale," said Jeffrey M. Pomeroy, chair of Baker Donelson's Real Estate Group. "His practice aligns perfectly with the sophisticated, large-scale matters our clients are pursuing nationwide and internationally. We're proud to welcome him and are excited about the value he brings to both our real estate and cross-border practices, ensuring that our clients make the most of the opportunities that the current dynamic environment offers."

A native of Germany, Mr. Schütz is widely recognized for his work with German, Swiss, and Austrian clients expanding into the United States, as well as U.S.-based companies investing in Germany and across the European Union. He serves as the Honorary Consul of Germany in Tennessee. His arrival expands Baker Donelson's Cross-Border Business Team focused on serving German-speaking clients, now with nine professionals who are fluent in German.

"Baker Donelson built exceptional strength at the intersection of real estate, economic development, and cross-border business," said Mr. Schütz. "The Firm is a natural fit for my client base and for the significant momentum we're seeing in foreign direct investment and complex real estate projects across the region and beyond."

Mr. Schütz, who joins Baker Donelson from the firm of K&L Gates, earned his law degree in Germany and holds an LL.M. from Vanderbilt Law School.

With Mr. Schütz's addition, Baker Donelson continues to enhance its ability to guide clients through increasingly complex domestic and international real estate transactions in a dynamic national and global marketplace.