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David S. Keast is a senior attorney in the firm's Business Law Department. He focuses his practice in the areas of real estate transactional and commercial loan origination and restructure services. Mr. Keast has particular expertise in advising community associations and condominium developers.

Prior to entering private practice, Mr. Keast served as general counsel of Crosswinds Communities, Inc., a Novi, Michigan-based residential condominium developer and deputy general counsel of Michigan National Corporation, the Farmington Hills, Michigan parent of Michigan National Bank.

Representative Client Work

- Lead bank counsel in successful commercial loan recovery effort involving failed bank
- Lead negotiator with federal agency over bank reporting violations
- Lead transactional counsel, bank business acquisitions and divestitures
- Senior bank commercial loan origination specialist and manager
- Produced significant improvements in legal services quality and cost by introducing innovative technological, work process and staffing strategies
- Extensive experience providing residential and business condominium development project services, including land acquisition and residential and business condominium project formation and sales documentation

Areas of Practice

- Banking, Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights Law
- Business Enterprises Law
- Real Estate Law

Education

- University of Michigan Law School, 1974, J.D.
- Michigan State University, 1971, B.A.

Bar & Court Admissions

- Michigan, 1974

- Concentrated experience in community association law and practice, including internal development and communication of innovative strategies for common element insurance/repair cost containment
- Strategic responsibility for major circuit court litigation involving developers and community associations

Professional Affiliations

- State Bar of Michigan (Real Property Law Section)

Publications

- FHA ends most condominium project 'spot approvals,' costly pre-approvals begin next week

News

- New Attorney Adds Real Estate Expertise To Corporate Practice