

Shawn Ferrin is the CEO and Board Chair of Parsons Behle & Latimer. In addition, Shawn represents clients in complex commercial real property transactions and in obtaining development entitlements and permits throughout resort and urban communities in the western U.S.



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Biography

Shawn Ferrin focuses his practice on complex commercial real property transactions with an emphasis on resort, urban, retail and community development; land-use planning and entitlements; office leases; and economic development incentives.

Shawn has served as lead counsel in representing Home Depot, Boyne Resorts, Walmart Stores, Vulcan, Inc., Varde Partners, Fidelity Investments, Barrick Gold Corporation, Dyno Nobel, and Micron Technology, Inc. in significant acquisition, development, financing and entitlement transactions. He also has lead a team of Parsons' attorneys in corporate headquarter relocations for Ancestry.com Inc., 1-800 Contacts, Inc., StorageCraft Technology Corporation and Neumont University. Local redevelopment agencies and national developers have engaged Shawn in all facets of urban redevelopment and rural entitlement projects, including structuring tax increment and assessment area financings. Shawn is also actively involved in representing conservation agencies and land owners in structuring, negotiating and enforcing conservation easements.

Shawn is an adjunct professor at the S.J. Quinney College of Law at the University of Utah, where he teaches real estate development and drafting. He is also a member of the Center for International Legal Studies and has been appointed as a visiting professor of law at Brest State University, Brest, Belarus and Iliria College, Pristina, Kosovo.

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Capabilities

Real Estate
Resorts & Recreation
Project Permitting & Compliance
Public Lands
Commercial Lending

Licensed/Admitted

Utah

Accomplishments

Professional

The Best Lawyers in America, "Lawyer of the Year," Real Estate Law 2023

The Best Lawyers in America, "Best Lawyer," Real Estate Law 2007 - 2023

Chambers USA, "America's Leading Lawyers for Business" (2003 - 2023)

Utah Business Magazine, "Utah Legal Elite," 2005 - 2012, 2018, 2020, 2021, 2023

Super Lawyers, Mountain States Edition, 2007 - 2013

Martindale-Hubbell AV® Preeminent™ rating

Academic

University of Utah, S.J. Quinney College of Law (J.D., 1986)

- Articles Editor, *Journal of Energy Law and Policy* (1986)

University of Utah (B.U.S., cum laude, 1982)

Associations

Professional

American Bar Association, Real Property Section, Member, 1986 - Present

Utah State Bar Association, Real Property, Banking & Finance, and Construction Sections,
Member, (1986 - Present)

Urban Land Institute, Associate Member

International Council of Shopping Centers, Associate Member

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Adjunct Professor, Real Estate Development
and Drafting

Center for International Legal Studies, Salzburg, Austria, Member

Brest State University, Brest, Belarus, Visiting Professor of Law

Iliria College, Pristina, Kosovo, Visiting Professor of Law

Community

Economic Development Corporation of Utah, Board of Trustees

Governor's Task Force on Economic Development and the Environment, Advisor

University of Utah, Young Alumni Association, Board of Directors