

#### Windels Marx Lane & Mittendorf, LLP

# Matthew R. Friedenberg Associate

Mr. Friedenberg's practice focuses on commercial litigation, including breach of contract actions, commercial real estate and franchise disputes, as well as the prosecution and defense of construction and negligence claims. In addition to representing clients on litigated matters, Mr. Friedenberg also has substantive experience dealing with all facets of mortgage and tax lien foreclosure actions.

Representative matters on which he has served as counsel include:

- Represented multi-billion dollar real estate development company and owner of downtown skyscraper in litigation commenced by commercial tenant alleging breach of lease, breach of contract and constructive eviction claims.
- Prosecuted breach of lease and breach of guaranty claims on behalf of real estate development client against upscale restaurant tenant occupying building's marquee ground space.
- Defended bulk institutional purchaser of New York City tax liens against federal civil rights and state law claims alleging Constitutional due process violations and Claims under 42 U.S.C. Section 1983.
- Counseled manufacturer of high-tech electronic microwave components with respect to federal software copyright audit commenced by association comprised of largest software manufacturers.
- Represented owner of multiple national franchises in prosecution of fraudulent inducement claims against former owner, as well as in defense of claims by former owner for breach of contract and a personal guarantee.
- Represented high-net worth medical professional with millions in assets in hotly-contested matrimonial litigation involving multi-million dollar claims of fraud and wasteful dissipation.
- Represents one of the nation's largest banks in select foreclosure actions deemed by bank to be particularly high-profile and heavily-litigated.
- Counseled multi-million dollar real estate developer in connection with midtown assemblage plans, specifically as to component seller's failures to use commercially reasonable efforts to affect a vacant possession closing and cure building violations.
- Represented one of the largest U.S. mortgage loan servicers in a high profile, heavily contested mortgage foreclosure action in New York State Supreme Court, using



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### PRACTICES

- LITIGATION & ALTERNATIVE
  DISPUTE RESOLUTION
- REAL ESTATE
- REAL ESTATE LITIGATION
- TAX LIEN & MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE
- PRIVATE CLIENT SERVICES, ESTATES & TRUSTS

### EDUCATION

- J.D., magna cum laude, Order of the Coif, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, 2011
- B.A., economics, cum laude, Brandeis University, 2007

#### ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
- New York



"first impression" arguments to win a Motion to confirm the proceedings.

• Advised a high net worth U.S. and Canadian-based finance professional in the creation of a prenuptial agreement covering property distribution, international trusts and elective rights under New York law, which engagement further required complex analysis and recommendations on availability of jurisdiction, choice of law issues, forum selection, and substantive property distribution rights should either spouse seek Canadian-based separation or divorce.

### Memberships

- American Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association
- New York County Lawyer's Association

## Authored

• During law school, Mr. Friedenberg served as Senior Editor of the Cardozo Moot Court Honor Society. He was awarded Best National Brief at the 2009 Burton Wechsler National First Amendment Moot Court Competition.

### Recognition

• *SuperLawyers* Metro New York 2014 - Rising Star - Business Litigation, General Litigation and Real Estate