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Tom Breidenstein is a member of the firm's Real Estate Service Group. His practice focuses on general commercial real estate, zoning and land use issues, and general civil litigation. Tom is a member of a variety of professional groups, including the American Institute of Certified Planners and both the American and Ohio Planning Associations. He is admitted to practice in Kentucky and Ohio.

CAPABILITIES

Practice Areas

- Conservation Easements
- Environmental, Energy & Sustainability
- Land Use & Zoning
- Public Project Legal Management
- Real Estate
- Real Estate & Land Use Litigation
- Real Estate Development & Finance
- Real Estate General Practice

RECENT ASSIGNMENTS

- Served as project and document manager for large and complex real property transfers associated with the initial public offering of a Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT).
- Represents the REIT in contract negotiations and due diligence for its on-going real property acquisitions.
- Successfully secured a controversial zoning map amendment in Ft. Thomas, Kentucky, and preserved the amendment through appeals in the Campbell County Circuit Court and the Kentucky Court of Appeals.
- Continuing representation of wireless telecommunication providers and site acquisition companies in site selection, lease negotiations, title clearance and site approval before local zoning authorities and the Kentucky Public Service Commission.
- Advises planning consultants involved in updating municipal and township zoning codes and resolutions.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Kentucky
- Ohio
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio

RECENT NEWS, ARTICLES & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Four Important Environmental Law Changes Since You've Been Home *with William T. Gorton III , W. Blaine Early III , Jennifer J. Cave , Mary Lucille Noah (Mary Lu) , and W. Patrick Stallard*
Stites & Harbison Client Alert, May 5, 2020

FIRM LEADERSHIP

- Office of General Counsel

MEMBERSHIPS

- Kentucky Bar Association
- Ohio State Bar Association
- Cincinnati Bar Association
- Northern Kentucky Bar Association
- American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP)
- American Planning Association
- Ohio Chapter of American Planning Association , Board of Trustees, At-Large Citizen Member (January 2019-present)
- Kentucky Chapter of American Planning Association

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Glendale (Ohio) Planning and Historic Preservation Commission, Chairman (2004-present); Member (2000-2004)
- Glendale (Ohio) Zoning Board of Appeals, Secretary (2009-present)
- Glendale (Ohio) Community Improvement Corporation, Member (2020-present)

EDUCATION

Salmon P. Chase College of Law at Northern Kentucky University J.D. 1993

Miami University of Ohio B.A., Urban and Regional Planning 1984

MORE THAN STITES & HARBISON

Before and during law school, Mr. Breidenstein worked as the Zoning Enforcement Officer for the Boone County Planning Commission. While away from the office, Mr. Breidenstein enjoys nothing more than spending time with his family – including his two inspiring children, Frances and William. He involves himself in many civic activities in his home village of Glendale, and is an avid fan of the Cincinnati Reds.

ACCOLADES

- Cincy Leading Lawyers - Zoning, *Cincy Magazine* (2020)