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Ross Speier is a senior associate in Alston & Bird’s Financial Services & Products Group. He focuses his practice on securities transactions and banking regulation.

Ross advises public companies on 1933 Act filings and 1934 Act reporting, corporate governance, and general corporate matters, with an emphasis on real estate investment trusts (REITs) and business development companies. He counsels companies on compliance with SEC, FINRA, and state “blue sky” regulations, as well as the rules set by the North American Securities Administrators Association.

Additionally, Ross counsels banks and financial services providers on various federal and state banking laws, with a focus on consumer financial services regulations such as the Truth in Lending Act, Fair Credit Reporting Act, Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, Equal Credit Opportunity Act, Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and unfair, deceptive, or abusive acts or practices (UDAAP) laws, as well as related rules and guidance issued by the CFPB and FTC.

During law school, Ross was selected for a field placement with the SEC in the Corporation Finance and Enforcement Divisions and served as a securities counsel extern for The Coca-Cola Company, where he advised the company’s counsel and officers on securities matters. He also participated in the Emory Law School Supreme Court Advocacy Program, where he drafted an amicus brief to the U.S. Supreme Court that was later cited by Justice Breyer.

Education

- Emory University (J.D., 2012)
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Admitted to Practice

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