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Chris Gram is a founding shareholder of the firm and a transactional lawyer. His primary focus is representing clients in all aspects of real property transactions including buying, selling, developing, leasing and financing real property. Chris's practice also includes general business and corporate law. Chris served as special in-house counsel for NW Natural Gas Company where he performed general business and utility work.

Chris is a member of the Oregon State Bar, including the Real Estate and Land Use Section and the Multnomah County Bar Association. He has been a speaker at a variety of continuing legal education seminars.

SELECT MAJOR TRANSACTIONS & REPRESENTATIONS

- Represent Microsoft Corporation in connection with the acquisition and leasing of office and other properties throughout North America
- Represent the New York State Teachers Retirement System in leasing of Lincoln Center, an 800,000 square foot suburban office complex
- Represent NW Natural Gas Company in connection with the purchase, sale and leasing of office, industrial and easement properties
- Represent Pacific N.W. Properties Limited Partnership in development, purchase, leasing and sale of real property including shopping centers, "flexible" industrial properties and office buildings
- Lender's counsel to several institutional lenders, including Allstate Life Insurance Company, in connection with loans secured by apartment, industrial, retail and office properties
- Represent local management companies in leasing and other tenant matters
- Counsel to T-Mobile for wireless communication facility sites
- Represent LSI Logic Corporation regarding acquisition of 300 plus acre site for semiconductor plant
- Represent optical business in the leasing and operations of retail stores
- Local opinion counsel for borrowers and lenders in numerous transactions including securitized borrowings
- Primary counsel to borrower for refinancing of Section 801 Ground Lease military housing
- Representation of PNC Bank as construction lender for affordable housing projects

CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Former board member and provider of pro bono legal services, Portland YouthBuilders

EDUCATION

J.D., University of Oregon, 1990

B.A., University of Oregon Honors College, 1986