



DAVID A. SEVERN
 Principal , The Patrick
 Center

PRACTICE AREAS

- Business Law and Transactions
- Real Estate Law and Transactions

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Maryland Economic Development Commission, Member
- Land Use Council, Frederick County Builders Association, Member and Past Director
- Golden Mile Alliance, Director
- Maryland State Bar Association
- Frederick County Bar Association

PRACTICE FOCUS

For over 40 years, David A. Severn has been a trusted advisor and advocate for real estate owners, developers, builders, brokers, and lenders in navigating the complexities of commercial and industrial projects throughout Frederick County, Maryland. From contract negotiations to final closing, David's expertise ensures a smooth and successful transaction for his clients.

David regularly represents clients in zoning and land use proceedings, appearing before various planning commissions, boards of appeal, and legislative bodies within Frederick County and its municipalities. His guidance through the development entitlement and permitting process is invaluable, ensuring compliance and efficiency. With a deep understanding of commercial real estate closings, title examinations, and the resolution of title defects, David's role as lead counsel on numerous large and complex real estate development projects demonstrates his unique capabilities and dedication.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Quantum Loophole Inc.'s \$158.5 million sale of 150 acres to Rowan Digital Infrastructure in Frederick County, MD.
- The pioneering acquisition and development of a groundbreaking, sustainable gigawatt data center community by Quantum Loophole, Inc. and TPG Real Estate Partners on a 2,100-acre site in Frederick County, MD.
- Carroll Creek Linear Park, an innovative mixed-use public-private partnership for the re-development of historic downtown Frederick.
- "Market Square," the inaugural mixed-use commercial, employment, and residential community in the City of Frederick.
- South Street Center Affordable Housing Re-development Project in the City of Frederick.
- Adaptive reuse of land for the Daughters of Charity Senior Housing project in Emmitsburg, MD.
- District 40's re-development of the former Fredericktowne Mall on the Golden Mile in the City of Frederick.

Additionally, David serves as legal counsel for the Town of Walkersville and the City of Brunswick, advising on municipal, real estate, and land use issues.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-writer of the City of Cumberland, Maryland Zoning Ordinance

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- MSBA Land Use Institute Committee Panel Member on Solar Facilities
- Guest speaker on zoning and land use law for the Maryland Chapter of the American Planning Association/Maryland Association of Zoning Officials, the Maryland Citizen Planners' Association, the Maryland Municipal League and the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties

RECOGNITIONS

- Best Lawyer, Best Lawyers in America, 2023-2024

"I value my clients and the trust they place in me. I focus on listening to my clients to better understand their goals and priorities, and the potential legal issues involved and then working collaboratively with them toward achieving a successful result."

— David A. Severn

EDUCATION

- University of Baltimore School of Law, J.D.
- Western Maryland College (now McDaniel College), B.A., cum laude

ADMISSIONS

- Maryland Court of Appeals
- United States District Court