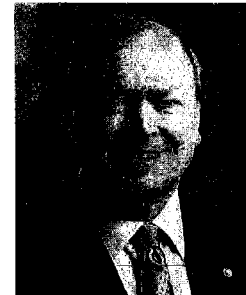


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JAMES V. MANIACE's practice blends together advice on all aspects of business and corporate law with a concentration in the real estate, land use and oil and gas areas. In his practice, Jim frequently serves as outside general counsel to companies of all sizes, including closely-held and family-owned companies. Jim received the recognition, *Who's Who in Energy* by *Columbus Business First* for his work in the oil and gas sector and alternative power fields.

Jim has handled a variety of complex business and real estate transactions including mergers and acquisitions, debt restructuring and refinancing, and sales and exchanges of real property including financing. He also regularly represents court appointed receivers in the management and sale of complex real estate projects. In addition, Jim represents landowners, developers, and the midstream oil and gas industry in activities related to the Marcellus and Utica Shale Play in Ohio.

Jim's ability to find solutions to land use issues has been enhanced by his eighteen years of service as the Chairman of the City of Columbus' Board of Zoning Adjustment. He frequently engages municipalities, townships and counties on behalf of developers.

### Speeches and Publications

- Panelist, "Negotiable Lease Terms: Landlords v. Tenants," Commercial/Industrial section of the Columbus Board of Realtors, September 12, 2013.
- Instructor, "Negotiable Lease Terms, Ground Leases and Receiverships," International Council of Shopping Centers, Ohio, West Virginia, Western Pennsylvania and Indiana Idea Exchange, August 22, 2013.

### Practice Groups:

Real Estate, Business & Finance, Energy and Regulated Industries, Land Use, Business Restructuring and Creditor Rights, Women & Minority Owned Businesses, Alcohol Permitting and Regulatory

### Bar/Court Admissions:

*Federal*  
Southern District of Ohio, 6th Circuit Court of Appeals

*State*  
Ohio

### Year First Admitted to Practice Law:

1981

### Education:

Duke University School of Law (1981), University of Notre Dame, B.A., cum laude (1978)

### Professional Affiliations /

#### Recognitions:

Central Ohio Land Title Underwriters, International Council of Shopping Centers, Ohio Oil and Gas Association, The Entrepreneurship Institute

- Instructor/Lecturer, "Commercial Real Estate Ethics," Cincinnati Board of Realtors, Cincinnati, Ohio, May 29, 2013.
- Presenter, "Landowner Concerns in Oil and Gas Leasing," Energy Law Committee of the Columbus Bar Association, January 19, 2012.
- Author, "Siting Wind Farms," Chester Willcox & Saxbe Newsletter, Vol. 1, 2011.
- Author, "Keeping True to Your Culture While Protecting Your Balance Sheet," *The Journal*, Great Lakes Bankers Bank, Winter, 2011.
- Author, "Today's Refinancing Options for Resourceful Real Estate Investors," Chester Willcox & Saxbe Newsletter, Vol. 1, 2010.
- Presenter, "Hurdles to Overcome for Wind Energy Development," Energy Law Committee of the Columbus Bar Association, October 21, 2010.
- Author, "Lower-Class Apartments Show Value Drop and Promise for Great Return on Investment," *Columbus Business First*, September 3, 2010.
- Author, "Small Firms in Prime Position to Take Advantage of Real Estate Woes," *Columbus Business First*, May 7, 2010.
- Author, "Don't Count on Big Banks for \$1.4 Trillion of Maturing Real Estate Loans," *Columbus Business First*, March 5, 2010.

#### **Honors and Awards**

- Commercial Instructor of the Year 2014 - Columbus Realtors