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Kelly Vazhappilly is special counsel in the Real Estate, Energy, Land Use & Environmental Practice Group in the firm's Dallas office.

Areas of Practice

Kelly's practice focuses on commercial real estate transactions on a national and local basis, including negotiating purchase and sale, management, leasing and related agreements in the operation and disposition of a wide variety of asset classes. Her experience includes:

- representing commercial mortgage-backed securities trusts, special servicers, SBA lenders/servicers and financial institutions in receivership and REO transactions;
- representing clients in the acquisition and disposition of industrial, retail, office, multi-family, hotel, resort, condominium, c-store, mobile home portfolios, self-storage facilities and mixed-use properties;
- representing clients in single and portfolio dispositions for distressed assets transactions; and
- representing landlords and tenants in leasing and licensing transactions involving office, research and development, retail and industrial properties.

Honors

"Ones to Watch," *Best Lawyers*, 2024

Articles

- Sheppard Mullin Kicks Off 2025 EAJ Campaign
Headnotes, Dallas Bar Association, 09.2024
- The Sheppard Mullin Quarterage
July 2021

Cannabis Law Blog

- "Hemp Revisited: Beyond Medical Use, Texas Cautiously Legalizes Consumable and Non-Consumable Hemp Products," November 18, 2020
- "Easing the Pain: Relief for Texans in the Form of Low-THC Cannabis," June 24, 2020

Real Estate, Land Use and Environmental Law Blog Posts

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[Knick v. Township of Scott](https://www.realestatelanduseandenvironmentallaw.com/knick-v-township-scott.html) Supreme Court Takes Back Takings: *Knick v. Township of Scott*, July 23, 2019

Memberships

Member, Dallas Bar Association

Member, Dallas Asian American Bar Association

Practices

Real Estate, Energy, Land Use & Environmental

Commercial Leasing

Real Estate Acquisitions and Dispositions

Energy, Infrastructure and Project Finance

Real Estate Finance

Industries

Energy, Infrastructure and Project Finance

Esports & Games

Hospitality

Multifamily Housing

Education

J.D., Southern Methodist University, 2010

B.S., University of Texas at Dallas, 2007, *magna cum laude*

Admissions

Texas