

### Real Estate Partner Scott Morehouse Joins Sheppard Mullin Orange County

**Represents funds and REITS with real property throughout the U.S.**

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Scott Morehouse has joined Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP as a partner in the firm's Real Estate, Land Use and Environmental practice group, based in the firm's Orange County office. Morehouse joins from Greenberg Traurig.

"Scott is an excellent fit with our marquee real estate and land use practice and adds additional breadth and depth to our existing real estate finance capabilities," said Guy Halgren, chairman of Sheppard Mullin.

Leader of the firm's Real Estate, Land Use and Environmental practice Domenic Drago echoed Halgren's sentiments: "We are very fortunate to have Scott on board in Orange County. Scott is well-known and well-respected – an excellent addition to our 60-attorney practice."

"I am excited to join Sheppard Mullin which has an outstanding reputation in real estate and land use. The firm offers an excellent platform on which to grow my practice, as many of my clients have a national presence. In addition, I was truly impressed by the firm's culture of teamwork and collegiality," stated Morehouse.

Morehouse counsels real estate funds, REITS, pension funds, banks and other institutional clients in transactions involving the financing, acquisition, disposition, development, construction, and leasing of real property throughout the United States. Morehouse's finance and capital markets experience includes the origination, acquisition, structuring, and restructuring of permanent and bridge loans, construction loans, mezzanine loans and other subordinate debt financings, A/B loan structures, loan participations, and other co-lending arrangements. Morehouse also has represented lenders and borrowers in resolving troubled real estate loans, and the purchase and sale of distressed and non-performing loans. Additionally, Morehouse assists clients with the structuring and execution of acquisitions and dispositions of all major commercial property types, including office buildings, major retail malls and shopping centers, hotels, multi-family residential, industrial, and land. Morehouse has handled complex multistate transactions, including portfolio acquisitions, dispositions and financings.

Morehouse received his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center in 1993 and his undergraduate degree, *summa cum laude*, from the University of Massachusetts in 1990 where he was Phi Beta Kappa.

Prior to Greenberg Traurig, Morehouse was a partner in the Orange County office of Morgan Lewis and prior to that a partner in the Washington, D.C. office of Mayer Brown. Morehouse is admitted to practice in California, the District of Columbia, and Virginia.

## Attorneys

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## Practice Areas

Real Estate and Land Use