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### MEET MITCHELL

*“The most important things I can tell my clients is that we are a team, we solve problems together, we strategically plan, we play devil’s advocate with each other and we do not sugar coat any situation. We deal with it, we dive into it.”*

— Mitchell R. Cohen

### MITCHELL R. COHEN | REAL ESTATE AND SOLAR ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ATTORNEY

Mitch is an attorney in Obermayer’s Business & Finance Department, focusing his practice on mergers and acquisitions, commercial real estate and solar energy development. Mitch considers himself to be, before all else, a problem solver and strategic planner with his clients.

Mitch became a lawyer because of his exemplary people-skills. He enjoys building quality working relationships with a foundation grounded in honesty and trust. To Mitch, the critical element of any attorney-client relationship is listening to a client tell his or her story, including who they are, what they have built, how they got there and why they need his services. Once the story is told, Mitch does his due diligence to learn everything there is to know about the client, the issue, the problem, and the prospective transaction.

Outside of the office, Mitch is extremely active. He is a second-degree black belt in Tae Kwon Do and teaches karate and self-defense classes. He also runs marathons and plays men’s hardball and softball. Mitch is also active on a number of charitable Boards of Directors and other community organizations.

### EXPERIENCE

Mitch represents corporate clients in all aspects of business-related matters and transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, corporate structuring and planning, repositionings and recapitalizations and divestitures. He has particular experience in corporate financing, including senior debt, mezzanine and

equity funding, and workout and restructuring financing. He has represented international oil and refining companies, transportation companies, high-tech and biotech companies, medical service providers, solar energy development companies, equity funds and national lenders.

In his real estate practice, Mitch has served as counsel to retail, office, industrial and residential developers throughout New Jersey and Pennsylvania with respect to acquisitions, dispositions, land use, financing, construction, leasing and property management matters. In this arena, Mitch has represented large national REITS, small developers, equity funding sources and lenders. He also represents clients engaged in or considering business ventures in emerging green energy fields. Mitch brings a unique perspective to his representation of real estate clients, as he has years of experience as a real estate developer himself.

In the renewable energy arena, Mitch served as General Counsel to the [New Jersey Renewable Energy Commission](#). He worked closely with Governor Chris Christie and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities in forming a solar renewable credit program that brought thousands of solar energy-related jobs and millions of dollars in revenues to the state.

One deal that Mitch is particularly proud of involved the sale of a real estate portfolio during the 2005-2009 real estate crisis, when the client had been advised by prior counsel that a sale was an impossibility. He was able to help his client structure interim foreign financing and close the sale, a transaction that saved the client from bankruptcy.

## ACTIVITIES & HONORS

Mitch has been named to the Top Attorney List of SJ Magazine for his work in alternative and renewable energy. In 2011, he was also named to the “Legal Elite” list by Smart CEO magazine.

Mitch is active in the Jewish community, lending his time to a variety of affiliated charitable activities. He has served as President of the [Jewish Community Relations Council](#), Chairman of the [Jack M. Barrack Hebrew Academy](#) (formerly Akiba Hebrew Academy) Board of Directors, on the [Boards of the Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey](#) and the [Jewish Federation of Philadelphia](#), and the Board of the [American Technion Society](#) – Israel Institute of Technology, in Israel.

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## EDUCATION

Temple University Beasley School of Law, JD

Drexel University, BS

## ADMISSIONS

New Jersey

Pennsylvania

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

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## CAPABILITIES

### **Bankruptcy & Business Reorganizations**

Asset Acquisition  
Lender Liability & Workouts

### **Business & Finance**

Banking  
Corporate  
Lender Liability & Workouts  
Mergers & Acquisitions  
Public Finance  
Real Estate

### **Trusts & Estates**

Business Succession Planning

### **Labor & Employment**

Employment-Related Agreements

### **Government & Public Policy**

Government Relations

### **Industry Focus**

Financial Services  
Health Care  
Individuals & Private Clients  
International Businesses  
Local Governments & Municipal Authorities  
Nonprofit Organizations  
Real Estate & Construction