

# RYAN H. SHPRITZ MANAGING PRINCIPAL

**Condo & HOA, Cooperatives**



Ryan concentrates his practice in real estate and corporate law as they relate to community associations (condominium, homeowner, and townhome) and landlords.

He has counseled hundreds of clients on numerous facets of association management including drafting of by-laws and declarations, dispute resolution, service agreements, liability concerns, developer issues, collections, real estate property tax appeal, and foreclosure.

Ryan assists condominium associations in working with developers in the complex process of condominium deconversion (or "Section 15 sale"). In this process, a buyer or developer purchases a condominium property and converts the property into apartment rentals.

Utilizing his experience and industry knowledge, Ryan has written and contributed to numerous articles featured in publications such as the Chicago Tribune, Condo Lifestyles, and The Chicagoland Cooperator. He is also a frequent speaker on issues pertaining to community associations.

Ryan is a member of Kovitz Shifrin Nesbit's Executive Committee and is closely involved with the firm's strategic development and advancement. Additionally, he is responsible for directing the firm's marketing and business development efforts.

Ryan Shpritz received his undergraduate degree from the University of Illinois at Champaign Urbana and is a graduate of the Chicago-Kent College of Law. He joined Kovitz Shifrin Nesbit in 2001.

## AWARDS

- Recognized in the 2009 - 2013 editions of Illinois Super Lawyers magazine as an Illinois "Rising Star". Inclusion in this listing is limited to less than 2.5% of lawyers under 40 years of age in the State of Illinois.

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## EDUCATION

- J.D., Chicago-Kent College of Law, 2001, with Certificate of Intellectual Property
- B.A. (History), University of Illinois at Champaign Urbana, 1998

## ADMISSIONS

- Illinois State Bar
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois

## MEMBERSHIPS

- Illinois State Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- ACTHA
- CAI Illinois (Community Associations Institute)
- Chicago Bar Association, Co-Chair of the Real Estate Sub-Committee for Condominiums (2002-2006)

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## **SPEAKING**

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- "2015 Changes in the Law: Electronic Voting and Notices", CAI-Illinois member presentation, March 12, 2015
- "What is the Health of Your Association?", CAI-Illinois 2012 Conference & Exposition, February 4, 2012
- Attended the November 8, 2011 seminar regarding eliminating smoking in units presented by the Chicago Tobacco Prevention Project
- "Non-Condo Properties: Closing the Door", ACTHA Annual Trade Show, April 2, 2011
- Panelist, Legum & Norman, Midwest's "Ask An Attorney" seminar, October 21, 2010
- Speaker at the "Preparing For Winter" seminar presented by ACTHA, October 10, 2009
- Webinar: Mold: How to Deal with the Growing Menace, October 23, 2012.
- Webinar: To Lease or Not to Lease, July 24, 2012.
- Webinar: Thank You for Not Smoking: The Next Big Issue in the Association World, May 22, 2012.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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- "Technology Acknowledged, Constraints Exist", Condo Lifestyles magazine (10/2014)
- "Small community associations have pluses, minuses", Chicago Tribune (1/17/2013)
- "Common scents often become a condo issue", Chicago Tribune (8/2/2012)
- "Chicago Confidential", The Chicagoland Cooperator (10/11)
- Quoted in "Following the Golden Rule", The Chicagoland Cooperator (2/11)
- "Renter-friendly bill proposed", Chicago Tribune (5/08)
- "Fair Housing Act applies for boards", (9/06)
- "Don't get caught up in parking wrangles", Chicago Tribune (8/11/2006)
- "Toeing the Line, Tough realities confront those who buy a condo or townhouse", Chicago Tribune (8/6/05)
- "Protect Your Association From Discrimination Suits", Chicago Tribune (4/05)
- "Associations Share Advice About What Works at Seminar", Chicago Tribune (7/04)
- "New Legislation Affects Homeowners' Associations", Near West/South Gazette (12/03)
- Question of the Month, ACTHA Newsletter (10/4)