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With years of experience in real estate transactions, including acquisitions, dispositions, development and finance; commercial leasing; and construction law, Rich Fildes advises both public and private companies on a broad spectrum of matters in the hospitality, real estate, sports and entertainment industries.

Rich represents owners, developers, lenders, investors, and operators in hotel and resort acquisitions, sales, financings, management, operations and development, franchising and licensing. As co-chair of the firm's Hospitality & Leisure Group, he and his team have handled more than \$25 billion in client transactions involving hotels, resorts, golf and country clubs, theme parks and water parks, family entertainment centers, ski resorts and marinas throughout the U.S. and Canada.

In addition, Rich has represented the developers and operators of sports venues as well as past and current professional athletes in various business capacities.

Chambers USA (2017)* reports that Rich is recognized for his excellence in real estate acquisitions, dispositions, development and finance, most notably with respect to the hotel, sports and entertainment sectors. He is co-chair of the firm's hospitality and leisure group.

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ADMISSIONS

- The Florida Bar, 1977

EDUCATION

- University of Florida Levin College of Law (with honors, 1977)
- Duke University (magna cum laude, 1974)

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Florida Citrus Sports Foundation, Director and Trustee
- Leadership Central Florida, Alumnus
- Duke University Alumni Association of Central Florida
- Florida Citrus Sports, Director, General Counsel, and past President
- Lake Nona Advisory Committee

RECOGNITION

- Martindale-Hubbell Rating: AV
- Listed in Marquis Who's Who in Finance & Industry
- Nominated "Man of the Year 2004" by the Governing Board of Editors of the American Biographical Institute
- "Who's Who" in the World National Register's Who's Who
- Listed in Chambers USA: 2004-2017
- "Florida Legal Elite" Florida Trend Magazine
- "Florida's Top Lawyers" 2003-2009 Florida Monthly Magazine
- Named in the 2005-2006 edition of Who's Who in American Law
- Lifetime Member of Madison's Who's Who
- Listed in Continental's Who's Who
- Listed in Best Lawyers in America 1999-2017, 2020-2022
- Listed in Legal 500 US
- Nominated as 2008 Man of the Year from American Biographical Institute
- Selected for inclusion in 2008-2013 Florida Super Lawyers

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association
- Orange County Bar Association
- The Florida Bar
- American Land Title Association
- Lake Nona Country Club and Golf Committee
- Georgetown Hotel and Lodging Summit, Advisory Board

NEWS

- [Best Lawyers Recognizes 44 Lowndes Attorneys in 2022, Five Named Lawyer of the Year, August 19, 2021](#)
- [Lowndes Advises Florida Citrus Sports on Acquisition of 3.5 Acres Next to Camping World Stadium, August 4, 2021](#)
- [Best Lawyers Recognizes 44 Lowndes Attorneys in 2022, Two Named Lawyer of the Year, August 20, 2020](#)

- [Forty-three Lowndes Lawyers Earn Recognition in Best Lawyers in America 2020, August 15, 2019](#)
- [Forty-Four Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Lawyers Earn Recognition in 2019 Best Lawyers in America, August 15, 2018](#)
- [Rich Fildes Mentioned in Law360 Regarding Orlando Hotel Acquisitions, June 5, 2018](#)
- [Forty-Four Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Lawyers Earn Recognition in 2018 Best Lawyers in America, August 15, 2017](#)
- [Chambers USA Recognizes Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed Attorneys and Practices, May 25, 2017](#)