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## Baker Donelson Grows Fort Lauderdale Office with Addition of Nicole R. Avallone as Shareholder in Real Estate Group

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Nicole Avallone has joined the law firm of Baker Donelson as a shareholder in the Firm's Real Estate Group in Fort Lauderdale.

Ms. Avallone's practice primarily focuses on real estate and commercial lending, and she has extensive experience representing corporations, developers, lenders, borrowers, and real estate investment companies in the acquisition, development, leasing, financing, construction, and disposition of industrial, commercial, office, and mixed-use projects across the United States. She guides clients through various real estate transactions including drafting and negotiating purchase and sale agreements and commercial leases, conducting due diligence, examining title commitments and surveys, working through underwriting issues in connection with the issuance of title insurance policies, and overseeing closings. She also represents her clients in commercial lending transactions, including the structuring and documentation of commercial loans with both lenders and borrowers.

"Nicole brings a wealth of knowledge covering a wide range of transactions," said Denise Killebrew, chair of Baker Donelson's Real Estate and Finance Group. "With her background and experience, she will be a highly capable and effective counselor to our clients. She is an excellent addition to our group, and we are pleased to welcome her."

Ms. Avallone marks the latest addition to the Firm's growing Fort Lauderdale office. Other attorneys joining the location in the last year have included corporate attorney Perry Sofferman, litigator Jason Bloom, and health lawyer Sandra Adams.

A cum laude graduate of Florida Atlantic University with a B.B.A. in finance and management, Ms. Avallone earned her J.D. from the University of Miami, graduating cum laude. She is a member of the Florida Bar Association Real Property, Probate, and Trust Section.