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Press Release: Katherine Garrahan Named a Go To Commercial Real Estate Lawyer by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly

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Boston, Framingham, Plymouth and Worcester, MA – December 22, 2025 – [Katherine Garrahan](#), Partner at Bowditch & Dewey, has been named a Go To Commercial Real Estate Lawyer by *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*.

Garrahan is an experienced real estate and land use attorney who provides creative, problem-solving counsel and representation to developers, owners of shopping centers and office buildings, banks, nonprofits, and other clients, from mid-range to big corporate in a variety of sectors.

“Kathy’s recognition as a Go To Commercial Real Estate Lawyer is well deserved,” said [Paul Bauer](#), Practice Area Leader for Real Estate, Finance & Corporate. “She brings exceptional judgment, creativity, and clarity to complex land use and permitting matters, consistently delivering results for clients. Her collaborative approach and deep understanding of zoning, development, leasing, and nonprofit housing make her a trusted advisor across sectors and communities.”

Garrahan, who has been with Bowditch for 21 years, advises commercial, nonprofit, and institutional clients in MetroWest, Central, and Eastern Massachusetts on all aspects of real estate and land use law. Her work spans a wide range of sectors, including schools, retail, clinics, labs, specialty facilities, housing, and senior living, and includes due diligence, permitting and licensing, negotiations, and drafting agreements for real estate transactions and financing. She regularly represents clients before local and state authorities and municipal boards and commissions.

In addition to the public arena, Kathy’s work in nonprofit housing development covers financing programs of state and federal agencies, such as the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities, Department of Housing and Urban Development and programs of the Federal Home Loan Bank, and zoning work related to M.G.L. c. 40A, §3 (nonprofit educational uses).

“I’m honored to be recognized by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly as a Go To Commercial Real Estate Lawyer,” said Garrahan. “It speaks to the rewarding work I do alongside my clients and colleagues. Together we navigate intricate zoning and land use challenges and transactional hurdles to bring impactful projects and new uses of property to life.”

Beyond her work at Bowditch, Garrahan is presently a volunteer with or a member of the following organizations: MetroWest Chamber of Commerce, Community Foundation of MetroWest, MetroWest Legal Services, Alliance for MetroWest Unity, Summit Montessori School, MetroWest Medical Center, Women’s Bar Association, MetroWest Bar Association, and Boston Bar Association.

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