

## Kimberly A. Cruz

### Associate

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**ORIGINALLY INSPIRED TO BECOME A LAWYER BY HER DESIRE TO SUPPORT THE PEOPLE IN HER LIFE IN UNDERSTANDING THEIR RIGHTS IN THE FACE OF TOUGH SITUATIONS, KIM STRONGLY BELIEVES IN HELPING OTHERS TO MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE. SHE'S COMMITTED TO RAISING THE PROFILE OF HISPANIC PEOPLE, AND WOMEN SPECIFICALLY, INTO POSITIONS OF INFLUENCE.**

Kimberly focuses on corporate, real estate and commercial lending matters. Her experience in mergers and acquisitions includes crafting purchase and sale agreements and conducting due diligence reviews.

In commercial real estate, Kimberly is well versed in lease negotiations, drafting and review. She handles lease-related matters, notices of default and consents to assignments and sublease transactions with precision.

With a strong focus on commercial finance, Kimberly navigates loan agreement drafting, guaranty document creation and thorough title reviews. Her comprehensive approach helps ensure precise execution of loan documentation.

Kimberly's tenacity and proficiency make her an invaluable asset in corporate, real estate and commercial finance, offering practical guidance in navigating diverse legal landscapes.

## Practices

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Commercial Finance

Corporate and Securities

Mergers and Acquisitions

Real Estate Law

International

## Activities and Memberships

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- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity
  - Pathfinder, 2024
- Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW)
  - Member, Dallas Chapter
- C3 Latino Young Professionals (C3LYP)
  - Member
- Haven for Hope: ID Recovery Program, San Antonio, Texas
  - Volunteer
- Ladies' Oriental Shrine of North America
  - Member
- Shriners of America
  - Active Volunteer

## Publications

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- "Nearshoring in Mexico and the Convenience of Guaranty Trusts," *ACC Dallas-Fort Worth Newsletter*, co-author.
- "Grappling With the Confusing Holding of Rohrmoos for Landlord-Tenant Law," *Texas Lawyer*, co-author, October 10, 2023.
- "Preparation Privilege: How the Bar Exam Amplifies Racial and Economic Disparities in the Legal Profession," *The Texas Lawbook*, co-author; July 18, 2023.

## Noteworthy

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- Named to *The Best Lawyers in America*® "Ones to Watch" List, 2024

## Credentials

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### **Education**

- JD, St. Mary's University School of Law, 2022
- BA, cultural studies/critical theory and analysis, St. Mary's University

### **Admissions**

- Texas

## Languages

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- Spanish