

# BLAKINGER | THOMAS

## LAW FIRM



### Frank J. Vargish, III

Frank is a shareholder of Blakinger Thomas and Chair of the Real Estate Law Group. He concentrates his practice in representing clients in all aspects of business and commercial transactions, as well as real estate matters. Throughout his career, Frank has represented numerous developers in all aspects of large land use projects. He represents clients in zoning and land use matters before municipal bodies. He prepares partnership agreements, corporate governance documents, condominium and planned community documents, as well as documentation for closing all types of commercial transactions. In addition, Frank handles the purchase, sale and closing of residential real estate transactions. Frank has served as a lecturer for various professional business and community organizations on topics relating to zoning and land use, choice of entity for businesses, and 1031 tax-deferred exchanges.

Frank's approach to representation has been honed by the myriad of experiences and legal situations he has encountered. In his practice, Frank actively consults with his clients to create positive solutions to their complex issues. Frank uses creative approaches to surmount stumbling blocks and bring deals to fruition. Frank enjoys the unique challenges of his practice and the long-standing relationships he develops with his clients.

#### EDUCATION

- Boston University, J.D.
- Millersville University, B.A., *cum laude*

#### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Pennsylvania, 1984
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, 1985
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1986

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Lancaster Bar Association
- BIA of Lancaster County (Board Member)
- Pennsylvania Builders Association (Associate Vice President)

#### AWARDS

- 2016 BIA Industry Award

#### SEMINARS

- "1031 Tax-Deferred Exchanges and Reverse and Build to Suit Exchanges"
- "Choice of Entity Real Estate Projects"
- "Choice of Entity Businesses"
- "Real Estate Development from Beginning to End"

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#### PRACTICE AREAS

Banking and Finance  
Business  
Commercial Leases  
Mergers and Acquisitions  
Planned Communities and  
Condominiums  
Real Estate  
Land Use  
Tax-Deferred Exchanges  
(1031 Exchanges)  
Title Insurance