

## Four New Attorneys Have Joined the Team

**Shannon E. Cook** has joined the firm's multifamily and commercial real estate finance and real estate teams. Shannon's practice is primarily focused on representing lenders who originate and sell loans secured by multifamily projects to secondary market investors Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. As part of this practice, Shannon prepares and negotiates loan documents,



Shannon Cook

reviews legal opinions, examines title, survey, and other due diligence, and works with all transaction parties to ensure a smooth closing. Prior to joining Moss & Barnett, Shannon was an attorney at a boutique business law firm, focusing on real estate, tax, and related litigation matters. She is an active member of the Minnesota State Bar Association and the Hennepin County Bar Association. She is also a Mitchell Mentor, advising and assisting first-year law students at Mitchell Hamline College of Law. Shannon received her J.D. from William Mitchell College of Law, where she earned her Law and Business Certificate, and her B.S., from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.

**Aylix K. Jensen** has joined the firm's creditors' remedies and bankruptcy team. Aylix practices primarily in the areas of compliance and litigation relating to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, and additional federal and state laws and regulations. Prior to joining Moss & Barnett, she was a law clerk to the Honorable Lawrence R. Johnson in the Tenth Judicial District and a judicial extern to the Honorable Michael J. Davis in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota. Aylix received her J.D. from the University of Minnesota Law School and her B.A. from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.



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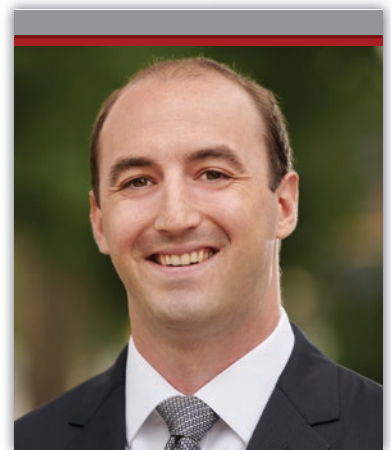
**Katie P. Pivec** has joined the firm's real estate and infrastructure teams. Katie focuses her practice primarily on zoning, municipal law, and commercial leasing. She is a member of a team serving one of the largest wireless communications companies in the nation, and in that capacity, counsels client stakeholders on myriad issues. Prior to joining Moss & Barnett, Katie practiced



Katie Pivec

for several years as a transactional attorney, focusing on the needs of closely held business clients. She also worked in-house for a large technology company as a research attorney and for a commercial real estate management group. Katie received her J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the University of Minnesota Law School and her B.A., *cum laude*, from Newcomb College, Tulane University.

**William J. Straus** has joined the firm's multifamily and commercial real estate finance and real estate teams. Bill primarily represents life insurance companies, banks, and other financial institutions in connection with the origination and servicing of mortgage loans secured by multifamily housing projects, retail centers, office buildings, industrial facilities, and other types of commercial real estate. He also advises clients on the closing and sale of loans to agency investors Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae on the secondary mortgage market. Prior to joining Moss & Barnett, Bill worked in the commercial mortgage lending department of a Fortune 500 company. He



Bill Straus

received his J.D., with distinction, from the University of Nebraska College of Law and his B.S., *summa cum laude*, from St. Cloud State University. During law school, Bill was a Senior Member of the Nebraska Moot Court Board, received the Business Transactions Certificate, and won the McGrath North Mullin & Kratz Excellence in Legal Writing Award.