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Suzanne Silverman is a transportation attorney focused on transactional and regulatory issues related to railroad and transit infrastructure projects. Suzanne brings substantial expertise in real estate, transit oriented development projects, and railroad negotiations to Kaplan Kirsch and Rockwell's rail transit practice. Prior to joining the Firm, Suzanne was a Senior Director in New Jersey Transit Corporation's Capital Planning and Programs department from 2011 through

2018, and represented NJ TRANSIT as a Deputy Attorney General from 1993 through 2011. She negotiated agreements touching all aspects of projects such as the Hudson River Tunnel, NY Penn Station, Hudson Bergen Light Rail DBOM, and numerous other light rail, bus and passenger train facilities. Her practice focuses on recommending, developing, and implementing strategies during the planning, design, construction, and operating phases that achieve a project's objectives in a cost effective manner. She negotiates the acquisition of rail lines and assembles right-of-way for new commuter and light rail service expansions, as well as new stations and related facilities. Suzanne has a breadth of experience negotiating and drafting railroad operating, design, construction, force account, cost and risk allocation, utility relocation, and shared use agreements.

Suzanne also has experience interfacing with agencies including the Federal Railroad Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and the U.S. DOT Build America Bureau and regularly works closely with Amtrak and freight railroads. Prior to her career with NJ TRANSIT, Suzanne was corporate counsel to a real estate developer in New York City where she had extensive experience negotiating transactions to acquire, sell, and lease commercial and retail properties.