

OF COUNSEL

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### PRACTICE AREAS

Banking & Commercial  
Finance

Commercial Real Estate  
Finance

Commercial Real Estate

Affordable Housing &  
Community  
Development

### EDUCATION

J.D., New York University  
School of Law, 2004

B.A., *cum laude*, Yale  
University, 1998

### ADMISSIONS

Massachusetts

New York

### AFFILIATIONS

Vice-President, Temple  
Emanuel of Andover

Director, Andover  
Community Trust

Vice-Chair, Andover Town  
Government Study  
Committee

Former Director, Andover

### OVERVIEW

Dara Epstein Obbard concentrates her practice in the area of affordable housing development and financing. Her practice includes representing developers, banks, other financial institutions, nonprofit organizations, governmental and quasi-governmental agencies, and condominium associations.

Prior to joining Hackett Feinberg, Dara was an associate at a Boston firm where she represented both developers (private, nonprofit, and community-based) and large institutional investors in structuring, negotiating and closing complex acquisition, development, public/private equity, tax credit, and tax-exempt bond financing and refinancing transactions. Dara previously served as the Director of Development and Operations of the Community Water Center, a nonprofit organization based in Visalia, CA that is dedicated to helping disadvantaged communities obtain safe, clean, and affordable drinking water. Dara oversaw all of the internal functions of the Community Water Center, including strategic planning, marketing and publicity, fundraising, human resources, and accounting.

Center for History and  
Culture

Former Director, Boston  
Preservation Alliance

Founding Member, Young  
Advisors Group of the  
Boston Preservation  
Alliance