

Low-Rise Inspections

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Leni Cummins, a member of Cozen O'Connor's Real Estate Practice Group, discusses inspection regulations for residential building exteriors in *The New York Times*. New York City currently requires tall buildings to have their facades inspected every five years to protect the public from falling debris, which poses a serious risk to pedestrians. However, buildings that are less than six stories are not subject to the same inspection requirements. Since a crumbling facade is a threat at any height, Leni says that, "While it is not required by code, maintaining facade safety should still be part of a building's maintenance protocol." No matter what the building's height, all owners, including co-op and condo boards, should regularly inspect and maintain their building facades to make sure they are in safe working order.

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