



## Business Law

We are trusted advisors to both large and small companies, combining legal knowledge and business acumen to fortify our client's success. From formation and structuring to drafting and negotiating agreements, we ensure clients' transactions — and the actions of their corporate officials — do not conflict with local, state or federal laws. Our attorneys are flexible and incisive, providing both day-to-day and the complex legal counsel to benefit rising companies.

We serve as general or special counsel to:

- Academic institutions
- Banking and financial institutions
- For-profit and nonprofit organizations
- Health care entities
- Hotel owners and developers
- Insurance companies
- Manufacturing companies
- Oil and gas companies
- Technology-based companies
- Trade associations
- Venture capitalists

Our experience includes:

- Antitrust and trade regulations
- Complex business transactions and negotiations
- Corporate governance (including board and committee counsel)
- Emerging market capitalization and growth strategies
- Mergers and acquisitions
- Private equity/venture capital
- State and federal taxation

### Antitrust & Trade Regulations

We represent a variety of businesses in the area of antitrust and trade regulations, emphasizing preventive measures through counseling, compliance seminars and audits, and government and judicial proceedings.

### Business Transactions

We assist our clients in structuring transactions to comply with all applicable state and federal laws and work with them to meet their business goals within the framework of such laws. We draft, negotiate and advise all types of documents and agreements, joint ventures, licensing and other complex business arrangements.

### Emerging Market Capitalization

For small and mid-sized businesses, we provide entrepreneurs with sound legal advice and guidance that fits a start-up budget. Our experience includes organizational structure, financing and capital-raising efforts, taxation, succession planning, employment, intellectual property, licensing, networking, dispute resolution, and real estate issues, to name a few.

### Business Restructuring & Reorganization

Often, an out-of-court restructuring can be more effective and cost-efficient than a formal bankruptcy process or a viable alternative to liquidation. Whether the strategy involves out-of-court financial restructuring, liquidation or reorganization, our advisors work together to protect and advance client interests.

### Corporate Governance

Executives and other business leaders look to us to help establish a healthy corporate climate that is protected from noncompliance and litigation through board evaluations, audits of governance practices, strategic planning, board training and board representation.

### C-Suite Counsel

Our attorneys serve as trusted advisors to ensure compliant, responsible and accountable measures are taken in connection with business decisions. We help anticipate and mitigate risks before they create barriers to success or lead to government or public scrutiny.

### State & Federal Securities

Throughout all stages of corporate growth, we provide advice on corporate finance, private offerings, raising capital, convertible debt, stock options plans and related issues.

## **Mergers & Acquisitions**

From small-dollar projects to highly complex public transactions, our attorneys, who have decades of combined merger, acquisition, affiliation and disposition experience, collaborate with our other practice groups to craft successful agreements.

## **Intellectual Property**

Our full-service practice advises clients on all aspects of intellectual property, including trademarks, copyrights, patents, internet issues and trade secrets. We collaborate with businesses and individuals across the globe to evaluate, license, protect and enforce IP, providing tailored solutions that advance our clients objectives.

## **Real Estate Transactions**

We help clients form entities to own and invest in real estate assets. Our experience includes all types of real estate transactions, such as areas of acquisition sales, leasing, environmental, land use and zoning, development, drafting and negotiating partnership agreements and equity investments.

## **Health Care Transactions**

Our attorneys are skilled in assisting clients with purchasing and selling hospital and freestanding facilities, drafting and negotiating contracts for acquisition and restructuring of hospital-owned physician practices, the forming of joint ventures and raising capital for emerging health-based businesses.

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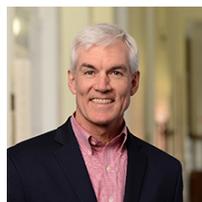
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