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Concentrating in Estate Planning & Business

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Highlights of Practice:

Estate Planning, Charitable & Personal matters

- Drafting over 1,000 estate plans valued up to $25 million, including wills, trusts, powers of attorney, gifting plans, charitable distributions and similar transfers
- Administering trusts and probate proceedings for high net worth families over multiple generations, including work with private and corporate trustees/banks
- Planning charitable distributions in connection with several national nonprofits as designated counsel, for the purpose of tax-favored gifts, trusts, annuities and other donor-advantaged means
- Serving as Personal General Counsel for high net worth/high income individuals and families, coordinating the work of accounting, financial, insurance and other expert professionals

Business, Corporate & Organizational matters

- Counseling entities from start-up to market value/revenues in excess of $200 million; aiding entrepreneurial launches, capital funding, mergers, sales, acquisitions and reorganizations
- Representing banks, credit unions, and other financial services entities in loan transactions, collections, bankruptcy, foreclosures, receiverships, workouts and commercial litigation
- Negotiating leases, employment contracts, executive compensation, publishing, royalties, intellectual property rights, distribution terms, settlements, insurance, agency representation, succession planning, partnerships, shareholder agreements and joint ventures
- Mediating complex commercial claims across the U.S. involving up to 43 parties in multi-million dollar disputes, based on extensive experience litigating business, financial, insurance and related issues
- Advising numerous nonprofit organizations, foundations, educational institutions, churches and other charities on legal, tax exempt activity, employment, contract, publishing, and governance matters

Educational, Professional & related experience

- Teaching and consulting in the U.S. and internationally on church and nonprofit organizational development, small group strategy, and leadership issues, having authored four books and actively produced multiple print, audio and video resources on related subjects
- Leading staff teams of over 200 people, managing organizational systems involving 5,000 leaders, and participating in various boards, executive groups, and management teams with oversight of entities with market value/revenues up to $200 million