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**“I am a corporate attorney who advises clients on all types of transactional matters.”**

Mark primarily represents buy- and sell-side entities in stock and asset transactions, mergers, consolidations, spin-offs, joint ventures, and developmental associations, both in the financial sector and across a number of other industries. He also has prepared and completed numerous equity, debt, and convertible debt securities offerings on behalf of both issuers and angel and institutional investors. In addition, Mark regularly counsels both private equity and strategic clients on a variety of general corporate matters. He also serves as the firm's Business & Corporate Practice Group Chair.

## Business & Corporate

- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Securities
- Financial Institutions

## Representative Matters

- Counsel to a publicly traded bank holding company in connection with a stock-for-stock merger with large regional financial services company. We were responsible for negotiating the merger agreement, preparing the proxy statement, counseling board and shareholders regarding the transaction, and preparing the employment and incentive arrangements for certain continuing employees.
- Counsel to an Illinois based bank holding company regarding their restructuring and initial public offering, which was followed by a sale, in a stock-for-stock merger, to a large regional financial services company. We were responsible for drafting the restructuring documents, drafting and

filing Form S-1 for the IPO, drafting the Nasdaq listing application, 1934 Act filings after the IPO, and counseling board and executives through the public sale process.

## Education

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- St. Louis University School of Law, 2005
  - J.D., *cum laude*
- Marquette University, 2002
  - B.A., *cum laude*, Economics, Political Science

## Admissions

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- Illinois, 2006
- New York, 2008
- Missouri, 2005

## Professional Achievements

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- Illinois *Super Lawyers*, "Rising Stars," 2014-2020
- Illinois *Leading Lawyers*, "Emerging Lawyers," 2015-2020