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## Randy J. Sparling



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PRACTICE GROUPS Corporate and Transactions Business and Commercial Litigation Trust and Estate

#### OVERVIEW

Randy Sparling practices commercial law and estate planning. He has substantial experience representing clients engaged in business acquisitions and dispositions. Randy also has assisted clients in debt and equity financing transactions and advised businesses regarding compliance with franchise and distribution regulations. Prior to entering private practice, he served as Compliance Officer for the First National Bank of St. Paul.

Randy consistently seeks to understand his clients' legal and practical issues and how they might be accomplished efficiently. He also takes care to understand his clients' personalities and the personalities of those with whom they are dealing. He takes great satisfaction in being able to apply his knowledge and experience to help his clients achieve their goals.

Randy's practice areas include:

- Business Organizations/Transactional/Compliance
- Commercial Law
  - o Business Entity Formations
  - o Shareholder Agreements
  - o Business Acquisitions and Dispositions
  - o Debt and Equity Financing Transactions
  - o Franchise and Distribution Regulation Compliance
  - Securities
  - Estate Planning
    - o Complex Estate Plans
    - o Split Interest Trusts
    - o Business Succession Planning

#### EDUCATION & ADMISSIONS

#### Education

University of Wisconsin, J.D., *cum laude*, 1982 University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, B.B.A., 1979

#### **Bar Admissions**

- U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota
- Minnesota

#### EXPERIENCE

#### **Representative Cases**

- Formation of entities to operate a business and the allocation of ownership among the principal owners, including the arrangements for the transition of ownership in the event of the admission of additional owners or the departure of owners.
- •Client representation in connection with financing transactions, including the issuance of collateralized debentures to qualified institutional buyers and in connection therewith has negotiated the terms of the indentures under which the debt instruments were issued.

#### EXPERIENCE

### Representative Cases

- •Client representation in all aspects of business acquisition transactions, including the "due diligence" investigation of the target, the negotiation of the acquisition agreement, the establishment of financing arrangements for the transaction and the completion of the transaction.
- Preparation of sophisticated estate plans, including the use of split-interest trusts to accomplish the client's objectives.

#### **PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC**

#### **Bar Associations**

- Minnesota State Bar Association
- High School Mock Trial Advisory Board
- Fourth District Ethics Committee, 1993-1999
- First District Bar Association

#### **Civic Involvement**

- St. Paul Police K-9 Foundation, President
- Burnsville Breakfast Rotary Club, Past President

#### ACCOLADES

#### Honors & Awards

- Rated AV Preeminent® by Martindale-Hubbell®
  - the highest rating for legal ability and ethical standards from members of the bar and judiciary

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