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Ross C. Formell is a partner in the firm's Business Law practice area. His main areas of concentration are debt and equity financing, mergers and acquisitions, securities, taxation, banking, insurance regulation and general corporate law. Ross serves small and medium-sized businesses that require a range of legal expertise. Ross enjoys working through regulatory requirements and structuring complex transactions and documentation.

Experience

Ross' significant recent projects include:

- › Representing a tribal development company in connection with an \$18 million equity and debt investment in a local manufacturing company in 2013
- › Representing an insurance company in the formation of only the second mutual insurance holding company ever formed under Minnesota law in 2011
- › With one of his partners, representing an insurance company in the purchase of an insurance company for \$140 million in 2013
- › Representing a local real estate developer in the sale of the company for \$26 million in 2015
- › Representing an insurance company in the acquisition of an Arkansas insurance company in 2015
- › Representing an investment advisor in the sale of the company in 2017

His experience includes representation of both sellers and buyers in large and small corporate acquisitions; advising clients in private and public offerings of securities; advising Native American tribes in business development, financing, contract and other matters, advising banks and insurance companies in regulatory matters and working on a variety of debt and equity financing projects.

Areas of Practice

Business & Corporate Law
Emerging Companies
Family & Closely-Held Business Planning
Insurance
Mergers & Acquisitions
Non-Profit & Tax Exempt Organizations
Public Finance

Securities Law

Education

J.D., Duke University School of Law, 1987, *cum laude*

M.S. (History), Duke University Graduate School, 1987

B.A., Hamline University, 1987, *cum laude*

Admissions

State of Minnesota

United States District Court, District of Minnesota

Firm News/Articles

> Paving the Way – Step By Step Process for Creating Mutual Insurance Holding Companies in Minnesota and Beyond

Professional Associations

> American Bar Association

> Minnesota State Bar Association

> Hennepin County Bar Association