

PRACTICE FOCUS

Erin focuses her practice in the areas of Business, Tax, & Securities; Mergers & Acquisitions; and Estate Planning. She joined Kegler Brown in 2009.

Business, Tax & Securities

Erin advises new businesses with issues such as entity selection, formation, structuring, and private offerings of equity. For established organizations, she practices in the areas of contract drafting and negotiation, franchising, reorganization, and tax planning and compliance. Erin counsels both international and domestic clients regarding the legal and tax implications of cross-border business arrangements such as distribution, outsourcing, and foreign direct investment. For businesses facing transitions, she assists in areas of succession strategy, charitable giving, and estate planning.

Mergers & Acquisitions

Erin assists clients, both domestic and international, public and private, in a variety of transactions, including mergers, asset purchases, stock purchases, and transactions involving employee stock ownership plans. In connection with these transactions, she has handled premerger notification filings, tax structuring, diligence, and contract drafting and negotiation.

Estate Planning

Erin helps individual clients to assess their estate planning goals, in light of the ever-changing estate tax laws. Erin drafts wills, powers of attorney, and various trusts designed to optimize wealth planning, asset control, and business succession.



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Business & Tax

Intellectual Property

Estate Planning & Probate

International Business

Government & Internal Investigations

Mergers & Acquisitions

Securities & Corporate Governance

“Who first said, ‘It’s just business; it’s not personal’? We know your business is personal to you, and it’s personal to us.”



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CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Before law school, worked as a financial analyst for Citigroup Corporate and Investment Bank in New York, specializing in international tax and transfer pricing, 2004-2006

National Champion, Moot Court Competition for Law and Economics at George Mason University, 2009

Acknowledged as a Public Service Fellow with Recognition, for time spent with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program, 2009

Judicial extern at the Ohio Supreme Court for Chief Justice Thomas J. Moyer, 2008

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Low Income Taxpayer Clinic, Pro Bono Attorney

American Bar Association, member

CBA Barrister Leadership Program, Class of 2012

Columbus Bar Association, member

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Franklin County, member, board of trustees

Ohio State Bar Association, member

Women for Economic Leadership Development (WELD), United Way Women’s Leadership Council, member

BAR ADMISSIONS

Ohio

U.S. Tax Court

EDUCATION

Juris Doctorate (2009)

The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law
Cum laude; *The Ohio State Law Journal*, Managing Editor

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Finance and International Business

Minor in Government (2004)

Georgetown University

Cum laude

General Course, Operational Research Department
(2002-2003)

The London School of Economics and Political Science