



## About Kegler Brown's Gaming Law Practice Area

Ohio's gaming landscape is in a state of transition. With the 2009 passage of Ohio Issue 3, the successful ballot initiative that authorized the establishment of casino gambling in the state, many opportunities are opening for national gaming manufacturers, suppliers, vendors, and other gaming service providers. The proposed establishment of VLTs (video lottery terminals) at Ohio's racetracks also provides for similar prospects. These opportunities mandate the need for experienced Ohio gaming law knowledge. That's why Kegler Brown partnered with firm clients in participating in the Ohio legislature's implementation of Ohio's 2009 casino initiative and now represents some of the gaming industry's largest and most recognizable organizations nationwide.

Kegler Brown takes pride in its cutting-edge gaming practice. The team offers a rich diversity of national legal and legislative services experience, including an attorney who serves on the executive board of the International Masters of Gaming Law, and attorneys who have previously served as a section chief of the Ohio Attorney General's Office's charitable law section, a former prosecuting attorney for Franklin County, a former director of legislative services for the Ohio Governor's Office, and a former chief of the Ohio attorney general's consumer protection section.

Our attorneys keep abreast of gaming law developments through active participation in the International Masters of Gaming Law programs, the Southern Gaming Summit, the G2E - Global Gaming Expo, the ABA Gaming Law Minefield program and other gaming related conferences.

Kegler Brown regularly represents clients from those involved with charitable gaming (charitable organizations, distributors and manufacturers) to the nation's largest manufacturers, vendors and suppliers in the gaming industry. Our attorneys help their clients navigate the ever-changing national gaming landscape by achieving licensure, interpreting legal compliance issues in a multi-state atmosphere, maintaining and monitoring that compliance with state and federal regulations. Our registered lobbyists also develop the relevant relationships with legislators and government agencies in Ohio. The State Capital Group\* — of which Kegler Brown is a founding member — is an additional tool used to serve our clients. Through this organization, as well as the International Masters of Gaming Law, we have a direct link to leading gaming attorneys in the country.

\* Member firms of the State Capital Group practice independently and not in a relationship for the joint practice of law.



## What We Do

Kegler Brown advises gaming suppliers and manufacturers with respect to:

- compliance with all state and federal legislation
- licensing under the legislation implementing casino gaming in Ohio
- participating in the rule-making process, which will be conducted by the Ohio Casino Control Commission
- participating in the Ohio Lottery's implementation of VLT's (Video Lottery Terminals) at Ohio's racetracks, including licensing and rule-making
- compliance with Ohio's charitable gaming laws
- assisting clients in the negotiation of licensing, distribution and supply agreements

Kegler Brown also represents charitable organizations with respect to licensing and compliance issues under Ohio's charitable laws, nonprofit corporation law and legislation affecting charitable gaming in Ohio.

## Our Team

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