



# Katja Garvey

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A native of Germany, Katja joined Kegler Brown in 2013, focusing predominantly in the global business practice area and the European market. She is an active member of the firm's M+A practice, providing legal due diligence expertise, and offering creative and efficient strategies on complex domestic and cross-border deals, including mergers, acquisitions, dispositions, recapitalizations, reorganizations, investments and joint ventures. Katja also specializes in the employee relations area, with an emphasis on representing employers in workers' compensation issues.

## Global Business

Katja's international roots and extensive business background have helped her establish a great deal of experience working with companies that have global operations. She advises clients with business transactions, contract negotiation, entity selection, formation and structuring. Katja is well-versed in all aspects of business creation and preservation, which she applies when counseling global clients.

## Mergers + Acquisitions

Buyers and sellers utilize Katja's counsel in mergers, acquisitions, divestitures and other transactions, such as asset or share/stock purchases. She provides effective risk management analysis along with legal due diligence that streamlines and clarifies transactions.

## Emerging Businesses

Similar to her work with global businesses, Katja provides advice to growth-stage companies on numerous aspects of formation and organization. She assists clients with LLC creation, entity structuring and commercial agreement negotiation, as well as economic incentives and tax structuring.

## Global Education

Katja helps guide our public and private university clients through the complex regulatory and funding process involved in global expansion. While addressing the complex contractual, tax and regulatory issues at play in a particular country or region, Katja works with educational leaders and university counsel to develop and execute new market (entry) strategies, implement project development initiatives, and establish education support services or recruiting initiatives.

## Workers' Compensation

Katja assists Ohio employers with all aspects of workers' compensation matters, including representing employers at administrative hearings and employer depositions. She advises clients with respect to their workers' compensation programs and regularly defends employers in claims.

## Professional Affiliations

- + LL.M Advisory Council, The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, co-chair
- + Kegler Brown Women Lawyers' Initiative Organization, co-chair
- + International Association of Young Lawyers (AIJA), member
- + Columbus International Program, board member
- + Columbus Bar Association, International Lawyers Committee, member
- + German-American Chamber of Commerce of the Midwest, member

## Special Honors

- + Selected to the 2017 Ohio Rising Star list by Super Lawyers

## Charitable + Civic Involvement

- + Mentoring and More, The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, mentor

## Languages

- + German

## Bar Admissions

- + Ohio

## Education

- + The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law (LL.M., 2012)
- + Juristische Fakultät (law school), Universität Passau (2011)
- + Capital University Law School (Study Abroad Program, 2007-2008)

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