



Privately and Closely-Held Businesses

Established and emerging privately and closely-held companies throughout Indiana rely on Krieg DeVault for guidance to assist and protect their respective business and personal interests and concerns. Our firm advises a wide range of business owners, helping them navigate effectively through the issues associated with privately and closely-held companies, and steering them through the transitions that growth and opportunity bring. We counsel businesses owned and/or operated by unrelated partners, single or multiple generation families, or a mix of outside and family interests. Most importantly, we recognize each company's unique dynamics, learn the owners' personal and business plans and aspirations, help refine their ultimate objectives and work to achieve them, and institute strategies to protect the business and its assets against anticipated and unanticipated risks. We serve as value advisors to protect our clients' financial assets, interests, and opportunities by establishing effective tax and estate planning strategies to further enhance the benefits to their business and personal interests. As a key element in those strategies, our business succession planning helps private company owners develop the right strategies to maintain or effectively dispose of business interests, as their personal needs and professional circumstances dictate. We also help to further enhance or our clients' wealth and portfolio of interests through negotiated transactions involving strategic or financial alliances, as well as acquisitions or dispositions of assets or business interests.

Focus Areas

Business acquisition transactions

Choice of entity selection

Capital raising activities and financing transactions

Private placement negotiation and documentation of financing arrangements

Contract negotiation and documentation

Procurement and protection of intellectual property

Dispute resolution

Executive compensation

Business planning services

Tax planning and defense for individuals and corporate entities

Analysis and enforcement of rights arising from fiduciary duties

Estate planning services

Employee relations

Employment-related agreements

Employment counseling labor relations

Succession planning



Business exit strategies

Corporate restructuring

MBE and/or WBE certification

Buy-sell arrangements

Franchising

Creditors' rights enforcements and protection

Shareholder/Investor protection services

Business litigation services

Business reorganization services

Securities law services

Facilities financing, sales and leasing services