Jacob W. O'Donnell

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Jacob O'Donnell is a member of the Business, Acquisitions, and Securities Practice and focuses on commercial transactions, forming and re-structuring business entities, and advising lenders on commercial and residential real estate transactions. He assists his business clients in the facilitation of loans, the securitization of financing for various banking clients, and drafting organizational documents for business entities. Jacob is involved in the Northern Indiana business community through serving on the Board of Directors for the Lake County Economic Alliance, an organization aimed at promoting stability and growth, recruiting new industries, providing incentives, and assisting small businesses in Northwest Indiana. In his free time, Jacob enjoys trying new foods, weightlifting, and reading.

Education

- J.D., Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, Indianapolis, Indiana, 2023
  - Indiana Health Law Review, Associate Editor (2021-2023)
  - American Constitution Society Treasurer (2021-2022)
- B.S. in Political Science & Pre-Law, *cum laude*, Benedictine University, Lisle, Illinois, 2020
  - Member, Benedictine Scholars Program

Bar & Court Admissions

- Indiana, 2023

Practices

- Business Services
- Commercial and Real Estate Lending
- Real Estate Services
- Manufacturing

Industries

- Financial Services
- Real Estate

Representative Experience

- Helped secure financing for various banking transactions
- Assisted in facilitation of loan documents for small businesses, banking institutions, and personal loans
- Drafted petitions to modify restrictions on institutional funds
- Participated in small-claims litigation for a family-owned business
- Advised banking institutions on the facilitation of life-insurance premium financing
- Promoted and ensured business entity compliance with the Corporate Transparency Act
- Engaged in merger and acquisition due diligence
- Counseled business owners through commercial transactions
- Aided companies in business estate-planning matters
- Guided non-profit corporations through business development and real estate matters

Professional Associations

- Board of Directors, Lake County Economic Development Alliance

Publications

- Co-Author, "Hold Your Filings: Preliminary Injunction Placed on Government Enforcement of CTA and Beneficial Ownership Information Reporting Requirements," December 4, 2024
- Co-Author, "Time Quickly Running Out: Important Reminders about the Corporate Transparency Act," November 5, 2024
- Author, “America’s Favorite Stimulant: An Argument for FDA Regulatory Control Over Caffeinated Products Labeled as Dietary Supplements Under the FDCA,” Indiana Health Law Review, Volume XX, No. 1 (2022)

Seminars & Presentations

- Presenter, "Loan Documentation Fundamentals", First Trust Bank of Illinois, March 18, 2025