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SERVICES

Corporate Transactions

Corporate Formation, Governance
& Advice

Mergers & Acquisitions

Business Strategies & Advice

Securities

INDUSTRIES

Physicians & Allied Health
Professionals

Entrepreneurs, Closely Held &
Family Owned Business

Nonprofits & Foundations

Hospitals

Vicki joined Sandberg Phoenix in 2024 and is a member of the Business practice group. She is an experienced securities law, business and transactional attorney who uses her journalism background to explain complicated legal and business issues in an understandable, straight-forward way.

Since 1989, Vicki has acted as lead lawyer in a wide variety of corporate matters, including securities law compliance and offerings, mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance, joint ventures and other business law matters. Her skills and experience make her uniquely qualified to provide efficient and effective legal guidance and results-oriented advice to clients of all sizes, including public and private companies and nonprofits. She has experience with companies in a variety of industry sectors, including technology, healthcare, clinical research and communications, among others. Vicki is value-driven and known by clients and other lawyers for outstanding client service and responsiveness.

In addition, Vicki has a deep background advising senior management, boards and committees on fiduciary duty issues, SEC reporting requirements, proxy statement and activist proxy matters, Section 16 securities ownership reports and insider trading matters. She also represents companies in franchise matters, distribution and supply contracts, research and development agreements and consulting agreements.

Vicki also serves as outside general counsel to several companies and has conducted numerous seminars and trainings on securities law and business law matters.

Outside of the office, Vicki enjoys spending time on home improvement and other projects with her husband, Doug, who is also a lawyer and now retired, being a mom to her college-age sons and walking her fox red Labrador.

CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Resurrection Foundation, Board of Directors

MOCSA Community Luncheon Support Committee

Cosmosphere Foundation, past member of Board of Directors and past Secretary

Women United, United Way of Greater Kansas City, past Advisory Board member

Business Council, The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, past member

Metropolitan Community College Foundation, past member of Board of Directors

Kansas City Tomorrow Alumni Association, former member of Board of Directors and past President

Metro Lutheran Ministry, past member of Board of Directors and past President

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Kansas City Chapter of National Association of Corporate Directors

Society of Corporate Secretaries and Governance Professionals- Kansas City Chapter- *Current member and past Advisory Board member, past President and past Program Chairperson*

The Foundation of The Lawyers Association of Kansas City, *past President and has served other positions within the organization*

The Missouri Bar *Member*

Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association *Member*

Kansas Bar Association *Member*

LICENSURE(S) AND ADMISSION(S)

Kansas

Missouri

EDUCATION

University of Nebraska, J.D., Order of the Coif, 1989

University of Nebraska, J.D., with distinction, 1989

University of Nebraska-Lincoln, B.J., Phi Beta Kappa, 1985

University of Nebraska-Lincoln, B.J., with high distinction, 1985

RECOGNITION

2012-2024

BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA

Best Lawyer

Corporate Law and Mergers & Acquisitions.

2020

BEST LAWYERS

Listed in Best Lawyers' 2020 edition of Lawyer of the Year for Mergers and Acquisitions Law in Kansas City, MO

MARTINDALE-HUBBELL

AV Rating

Preeminent Peer Review Rating has been used to recognize lawyers for their legal ability and ethical standards for over 100 years.