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PRACTICES

Banking and Finance Law

Business Law

Entity Formation and Governance

Real Estate Law

Securities Law

Tax-Exempt Organizations

EDUCATION

Washburn University (J.D., 2018)

Washburn University (M.B.A., 2018)

Tabor College (B.A., 2015)

ATTORNEY

Matthew Wiebe is a business and nonprofit attorney dedicated to supporting clients' day-to-day corporate and transactional matters, managing risks throughout the organizational lifecycle, from formation to significant transitions.

For local small to mid-size businesses, Matthew crafts corporate policies, negotiates significant transactions, and drafts contracts for business relationships. He also guides organizations through private placement debt and equity financing, mergers and acquisitions, ownership structuring, and regulatory compliance.

Bringing his business counsel to mission-focused organizations, Matthew represents nonprofits of all types, from startups to mature organizations, such as local and national public charities, churches and other religious organizations, private foundations, educational institutions, political organizations and campaigns, and trade associations. Matthew advises these organizations on tax exemption issues, charitable trust law, restructuring, governance, and board and staff relationships. A significant portion of Matthew's practice involves counsel for organizations involved with impact investing, primarily assisting church extension funds and community development financial institutions with "Blue Sky" securities offerings.

Matthew authored the Dissolve a Nonprofit Corporation How-To Kit for the Institute of Continuing Legal Education and has published other articles on legal considerations for nonprofits. He has presented on governance and compliance topics to local nonprofit groups and is an annual panelist at the Denominational Investors and Loan Administrators Conference.

Outside the office, Matthew enjoys spending time with his wife Clarissa and their growing family and attempting projects around the house.

ADMITTED

State Bar of Michigan, 2018

U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan, 2018

NOTEWORTHY

Listed in Best Lawyers in America: "Ones to Watch" - Corporate Law (2021, 2022, 2026, 2027); Nonprofit/Charities Law (2024, 2026, 2027)

Listed in Best Lawyers in America: "Ones to Watch" - Securities / Capital Markets Law (2026, 2027)

Listed in Best Lawyers in America: "Ones to Watch" - Real Estate Law (2026, 2027)

Listed in Best Lawyers in America: "Ones to Watch" - Business Organization (including LLCs and Partnerships) (2026, 2027)

Listed as a "Rising Star" in Michigan Super Lawyers - Nonprofit Organizations (2022, 2023)

Listed in The Best Lawyers in America® "Lawyer of the Year" - Nonprofit / Charities Law (2023)

Listed as Grand Rapids Magazine "Top Lawyer" Securities Law; Nonprofit/Charities Law (2022)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

State Bar of Michigan

Ottawa County Bar Association

Christian Legal Society

Probate Section of the State Bar of Michigan, Nonprofit Committee Member

COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

Good Samaritan Ministries, Board Member (2022-Present), Vice President (2024-Present)

Community Foundation of the Holland/Zeland Area, Program Related Investment Committee, Advisor

Michigan West Coast Chamber of Commerce, West Coast Leadership Class of 2022

Holland Symphony Orchestra, Board Member and Treasurer (2019-2021)

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Legal Intern, Smith Haughey Rice & Roegge

Intern, U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas