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Overview

Kerry Hodges focuses his practice on employee benefits, corporate, tax, and labor law. Primarily serving clients in the construction industry, Kerry devotes a substantial part of his practice to representing trustees of Taft-Hartley multiemployer plans, including pension, defined contribution, health and welfare, vacation, and apprenticeship trust funds. He advises trustees in virtually all facets of plan operations, helping them fulfill their fiduciary responsibilities in a complex, ever-shifting legal environment. He also utilizes the firm's cross-discipline experience to provide clients access to qualified attorneys in other practice groups relevant to their needs—matching legal strategy to each client's unique objectives.

In addition, Kerry's past work includes general commercial litigation and representation of lawyers and law firms in licensing, ethics, and professional responsibility matters. Prior to entering private practice, he served as a law clerk for the Hon. James A. Teilborg of the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona.

Education

- Regent University School of Law, 2007 (J.D.), *summa cum laude*
- Texas Tech University, 2003 (B.A.), *magna cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- Arizona, 2007

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona, 2008

Community Involvement

- Girls on the Run Maricopa and Pinal County, Volunteer
- Goodyear Little League, Board of Directors, 2019-2021

Distinctions

- *Best Lawyers in America*
  - Employment Law – Management, 2025-2027
  - Litigation – Labor and Employment, 2025-2027
  - Real Estate Law, 2026-2027
- *Southwest Super Lawyers* Rising Stars, Business Litigation, 2014-2017

Presentations and Publications

- "Appellate Handbook 2.0," *State Bar of Arizona*, 2020
- "Persuasive Legal Writing," American Bar Association Judicial Intern Opportunity Program, 2016-2019

Related Experience

- Collaborated in successful negotiation and settlement of multimillion-dollar securities claim against former investment manager of Taft-Hartley client.
- Negotiated, structured, and documented merger of construction trade associations.
- Represented a national bank in more than 100 actions involving a variety of claims and counterclaims, including claims for deficiency, breach of contract, breach of the implied duty of good faith and fair dealing, fraud, and waste.