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Overview

Pete Hartweger is a partner in the firm's Business Transactions group. Pete's emphasis is in mergers and acquisitions, tax, general business, pass-through entities, non-profit and tax-exempt entities, and IRS tax controversies. A large portion of Pete's practice involves representing small to medium sized closely-held businesses, counseling on contract, employment, tax, licensing, and ownership matters, and the day-to-day issues encountered by these businesses. His clients also include several large organizations, including a few publicly traded companies.

Pete has a thriving mergers and acquisition practice, representing both the buy-side and the sell-side on various types of business acquisitions. His clients are in a wide-range of industries, including wealth management, financial planning, manufacturing, broadcasting, engineering, transportation, construction, technology, health care, and temporary labor.

Pete graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1989 with a Bachelor of Business Administration, majoring in accounting, and received a J.D. from the University of Missouri – Columbia in 1995. Prior to attending law school, he worked for three years with KPMG in Atlanta, Georgia as both a senior auditor and a senior tax specialist.

He received the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association President's Award in 2007 and the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Foundation President's award in 2011. He is also a Board member of the Center for the Developmentally Disabled.

Education

- University of Missouri School of Law, 1995 (J.D.)
- University of Notre Dame, 1989 (B.A.)

Bar Admissions

• Missouri, 1995

Community Involvement

• ScrapsKC, Board Member

Distinctions

- Best Lawyers in America
 - o Corporate Law, 2024-2026
 - o Litigation and Controversy Tax, 2024-2026
 - o Tax Law, 2026

Memberships

• Exit Planning Institute (EPI) Kansas City Chapter, Board Member