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COLUMBUS

Located in the center of Columbus's thriving Arena District and comprising more than 75 lawyers, Jones Day's Columbus Office is one of the city's largest law firms. As an integral part of one of the world's largest and most geographically diverse law firms, we capitalize on our enviable location—46 percent of the U.S. population lives within 500 miles of Columbus—to provide outstanding service to clients in central Ohio and around the world. Embodying the concept of local access with a global reach, we complete transactions and resolve sophisticated legal disputes on a regional, national, and international basis while maintaining the efficiency and control associated with local representation.

Consistent with the Firm's policy of staffing legal matters as efficiently and effectively as possible,

lawyers from other Jones Day offices routinely assist in projects where extensive experience or geographic coverage is needed. All offices are linked by the same state-of-the-art communications, word-processing, and computer systems. The integrated nature of the Firm is one of our strongest assets and one that is especially beneficial to Columbus Office clients requiring diverse representation, whether nationally or internationally.

The Columbus Office represents a broad spectrum of corporate clients, ranging from privately owned businesses to *Fortune* 500 and other publicly traded companies.

The principal activities of Jones Day's Columbus Office are listed on the following pages.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

BANKING & FINANCE

- Conventional secured and unsecured commercial loan and asset-based financings
- Securitizations, including securitization conduit programs
- Structured asset-backed financings
- Synthetic and leveraged lease financings
- Subordinated and mezzanine debt financings

BUSINESS AND TORT LITIGATION

- Bankruptcy-related litigation
- Class actions
- Complex commercial litigation and business disputes
- Consumer practices
- Corporate governance and securities
- Counseling on litigation prevention
- Dealership, franchise, and distributorship matters
- Insurance coverage disputes
- Mass tort litigation
- Multijurisdictional litigation
- National trial and coordinating counsel

BUSINESS RESTRUCTURING & REORGANIZATION

- Restructuring and reorganization
- Corporate restructurings
- Debt restructurings and workouts
- Representation of debtors, creditors' committees, secured and unsecured creditors, lenders and lender groups, indenture trustees, prospective purchasers, and other parties in chapter 11 cases and out-of-court workouts
- Distressed mergers and acquisitions
- Director and officer fiduciary duties (particularly in insolvency situations)
- Advice relating to spinoffs and other complex corporate restructuring transactions

CAPITAL MARKETS

- Venture capital financings
- Rule 144A offerings and private placements
- Initial public offerings and secondary offerings
- Representation of underwriters and issuers in public equity and debt offerings
- SEC filings
- Securities law compliance and regulation

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS & EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

- Design and administration of ERISA-covered employee benefit plans
- Design and administration of church and governmental plans
- Tax-exempt entity compensation and benefits
- Compensation and benefits issues in mergers, acquisitions, and bankruptcies
- ESOPs and other stock-based plans
- Executive and deferred compensation
- Department of Labor investigations
- Plan asset investments
- Retiree medical benefits
- ERISA and employee benefits litigation
- Fiduciary duty counseling

ENERGY

- Electric and natural gas
- Labor and employment
- Litigation
- Mergers and acquisitions
- State and federal regulatory proceedings (including siting project management)
- State legislative analysis
- Tax

HEALTH CARE

- Business transactions including mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, and finance
- Operations and regulatory matters
- Compliance counseling and defense
- E-health business
- Business restructuring and reorganization
- Tax and tax-exempt organizations
- Managed care
- Medicare reimbursement
- Labor and employment
- Employee benefits
- Executive compensation

ISSUES & APPEALS

- Briefing, arguing, and advising on appeals in federal and state appellate courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court
- Assistance with complex legal issues at the trial-court level

LABOR & EMPLOYMENT

- Class and collective action litigation under FLSA, ADEA, and Title VII
- ERISA litigation, including class actions
- ADA counseling and litigation
- Acquisition and divestiture counseling
- Collective bargaining and labor arbitration
- Discrimination in the workplace—counseling and litigation in all courts
- Drafting employee policies and procedures, including solicitation, distribution and access policies, job descriptions, and employee handbooks
- Employment contracts and restrictive covenant issues
- Human resources counseling
- Labor relations counseling, union representation issues, and unfair labor practice proceedings
- OSHA advice
- Strike-related advice and litigation
- Substance abuse issues and testing
- Wage and hour advice and audits

MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS/PRIVATE EQUITY

- Negotiated mergers and acquisitions of public and private companies
- Unsolicited tender offers and proxy contests
- Leveraged buyouts
- Recapitalizations
- Joint ventures and strategic alliances
- Stockholder proposals/disputes
- Board/committee representations
- Executive compensation
- Out-of-court restructurings and workouts
- Distressed mergers and acquisitions

REAL ESTATE

- Representation of private estate companies, private investors, institutional investors, national real estate developers, and property managers
- Representation of public corporations and privately held companies whose core business is not real estate
- Direct real estate investments, acquisitions, dispositions, development, management, financing, and leasing
- Multifamily housing: Acquisitions, development, financing, operation, and dispositions throughout the U.S.; market-rate and affordable housing
- Office/retail, mixed-use, and warehouse: Acquisitions, development, financing, operation, leasing, and dispositions
- All facets of commercial real estate financing, including joint ventures, construction and permanent loans, conduit loans, sale/leaseback, and synthetic lease financing
- Tax abatement and other tax incentives

TAX

- Federal
- State and local
- International

WEALTH MANAGEMENT

- Family limited partnerships and “freeze” planning
- Family office design, management, and governance
- Family unity issues and conflict resolution
- Income tax deferral and sophisticated hedging techniques
- Multijurisdictional estate planning
- Philanthropy as wealth management, including family and supporting foundation design
- Succession planning

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