

#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

Business Transactions and Counseling

Mergers, Acquisitions and Divestitures

Startups and Emerging Companies

Banking and Finance

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Kathleen Kleiman provides counsel to businesses in all aspects of commercial transactions . Having over 35 years of experience, Ms. Kleiman is well versed on the variety and complexity of issues relating to initial business structure, stock and asset acquisitions and dispositions, equity incentive plans and securities issues.

### **Prior Employment**

- De La Rue Systems Americas, Cedar Rapids, IA, Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
- Unitrin, Inc., Chicago, IL, Corporate Counsel
- Helene Curtis, Inc., Chicago, IL, Corporate Counsel
- · Latham & Watkins, Chicago, IL, Associate, Tax Department

## **Bar Admissions**

- State of Iowa, 1997
- State of Illinois, 1988

### Education

- The Yale Law School, JD, 1988
- University of Iowa, BBA, with highest distinction, 1985

# Clerkship

US Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, Law Clerk to Judge Walter Cummings

### Honors & Awards

- Included in the Best Lawyers® "Lawyer of the Year" list in Cedar Rapids, 2017-2019, 2021-2023
  - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), 2022
  - ° Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, 2021
  - Mergers and Acquisitions Law, 2019
  - Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, 2018
  - Corporate Law, 2017, 2023
- Included in the Best Lawyers in America® list, 2025
  - Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships), Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Included in Great Plains Super Lawyers list, 2018 & 2019
- AV Rating by Martindale-Hubbell®

## **Professional & Community Affiliations**

### **Professional Memberships**

- Iowa State Bar Association
  - Corporate Counsel Law Section
  - Business Law Section
- Linn County Bar Association

#### **Community Involvement**

- Brucemore, Former Board of Trustees
- Cedar Rapids Chamber of Commerce, Former Board of Directors
- Cedar Rapids Opera Theatre, Former Board of Directors
- Entrepreneurial Development Center, Former Board of Directors and Chair
- Linn Area BizPac, Former Board of Directors
- · Miracles in Motion, Former Board of Directors
- St. Luke's Health Care Foundation, Former Board of Directors
- Xavier High School Foundation Business Appeal, Former Chair

## **News & Events**

- Kathleen Kleiman Included in Best Lawyers in America® 2025, 8/15/2024
- Kathleen Kleiman Included in Best Lawyers in America® 2024, 8/17/2023
- Kathleen Kleiman Recognized by Best Lawyers® as 2023 "Lawyer of the Year" for Corporate Law

, 09/26/2022

• Eleven SPMB Attorneys Named "Lawyer of the Year" by Best Lawyers® 2022, 8/19/2021