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Mark Peters provides experienced, insightful and effective corporate and business law counsel to both public and private company clients in a variety of industries. Mark's areas of expertise include mergers and acquisitions, including international transactions; securities regulation and compliance; commercial contracts; and corporate governance compliance. He is a member of Bodman's Business Practice Group and Automotive and Industrial Team.

Mark has successfully completed numerous types of transactions for his clients, including purchases and sales of entire businesses, subsidiaries and divisions, in a range of industries, including automotive, broadcast communications, sports apparel, infrastructure, insurance, telecommunications, and life sciences. Mark's hands-on, practical approach, coupled with his close attention to both legal and business priorities, has lead *Chambers USA* to describe him as being "renowned for his strengths in M&A." Mark is experienced in the acquisition and disposition of both U.S. businesses and international operations,

practices & industries

Automotive and Industrial Business

education

Wayne State University Law School, J.D., *cum laude*, Order of the Coif

Southern Methodist University, M.A.

Southern Methodist University, M.B.A.

University of Kansas, B.M.E.

admissions

Michigan

representing both domestic and multi-national clients. He also guides clients in U.S. public securities regulation and compliance matters, and has represented issuers in public and private securities offerings.

Mark has extensive experience counseling private companies, including automotive suppliers and businesses in other industries, providing seasoned counsel regarding commercial agreements; corporate governance best practices, including owner, director and officer fiduciary obligations; and numerous other day-to-day business and commercial issues.

Mark maintains a network of expert foreign counsel, providing a valuable resource for collaboration on international transactions and to solve other multi-national client issues. While a partner at another large local firm, Mark was recognized as Member of the Year by World Services Group, an international legal and business referral network.

*D*Business magazine named Mark a “Top Lawyer” in Commercial Law and Securities Law for 2024. He is listed in *Chambers USA 2024* under Corporate/M&A, in *Michigan Super Lawyers 2019* under Business/Corporate, and in *The Best Lawyers in America 2024* under Corporate Law and Mergers and Acquisitions Law.

In 2017-2018 Mark served as Chair of the Business Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan, and is the founder and a current member of the Section’s Diversity & Inclusion Directorship, promoting increased diversity in the practice of business law. For many years, Mark served as the host and moderator of the annual Michigan Business Law Institute, sponsored by the Business Law Section and the Institute for Continuing Legal Education. In 2019 Mark was Senior Warden at Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, a leading church in the greater Detroit area with more than 1,600 members. He was also entrusted to serve as Chair of the Church’s Special Committee responsible for oversight of

professional affiliations

American Bar Association

Detroit Bar Association (DBA)

State Bar of Michigan

its campus renovation, the most significant physical enhancement of this historic Church in over eighty years, which was completed in September 2022.

HONORS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITION

- *Chambers USA 2024*, Corporate/M&A
- *The Best Lawyers in America® 2021-2024*, Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- *DBusiness Magazine "Top Lawyers"* 2013-2014, 2018-2024, Commercial Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, and Securities Law
- *Michigan Super Lawyers 2019*, Business/Corporate
- Order of the Arrow, the National Honor Society of the Boy Scouts of America

CIVIC, CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- ChristChurchCranbrook, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan
 - Senior Warden, 2019
 - Chair, Special Committee for Campus Renovation

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- State Bar of Michigan
 - Business Law Section
 - Business Law Section Council, Chair 2017-2018
 - Founder and Current Member, Diversity & Inclusion Directorship, Business Law Section
 - International Law Section
- American Bar Association
 - Business Law Section
 - Committee on Federal Regulation of Securities
 - Negotiated Acquisitions Committee

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Author (with Carrie Leahy), "Updating Your Company's Disclosures in the Time of COVID-19," Bodman COVID-19 Response Team Update, April 2020
- "Corporations" chapter, *Michigan Business Formbook*, Third Edition, Institute for Continuing Legal Education
- "Avoiding Bumps in the Road: Getting to Closing When Buying or Selling a Business," *Mergers & Acquisitions* (November 2005)
- "A Primer on Buying and Selling a Business," *Tips4Biz* (Detroit Regional Chamber e-newsletter) (December 1, 2005)
- Co-author, "Sarbanes-Oxley is Not Just for Private Companies," *The Deal* (September 18, 2005)