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Services: Business, Governmental Services, Real Estate and Land Use

Industries: Construction and Development, Financial Services, Local Governments and Special Districts



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OVERVIEW

Ed's 30+-year career includes extensive work in real estate, development, lending/borrowing, construction and in local government. Representing individuals, family-owned businesses, lenders, cities, and other entities, he is known for working creatively to minimize conflicts, maximize productivity, and carry out the intentions of his clients.

Ed helps business owners choose the best entity structure to achieve their goals, now and for the future. He helps clients start and grow businesses, dealing with matters such as equity financing, debt financing, and leveraged acquisitions. Ed knows each type of business entity has different liabilities and tax benefits and burdens, so he takes a cooperative approach with accountants and tax advisors to advise clients.

When advising clients, Ed encourages every business owner to have a strategy that will allow the person to leave the business. Whether through sale or transfer to other owners or employees, Ed negotiates the terms of sale and preplans such transactions using buy/sell agreements and other contractual succession mechanisms.

Ed also serves as a city attorney. His experience with municipal regulatory matters began early in his law career when he was a member of the State of Oregon's Department of Commerce. While with the state, Ed spent much of his time streamlining regulations in the areas of capital formation, financial fraud, mortgage lender regulation, and investor disclosure. He understands how to work with and through the myriad of rules and regulations that the various levels of government have adopted.

Devoted to continuous education, Ed has built up a wealth of knowledge that he enjoys sharing, giving clients peace of mind knowing they can come to him with any questions. His desire to learn extends outside of the office whether he is adventuring in new destinations around the world or working on his old sports car.

Education

- B.S., Portland State University, 1979
- J.D., Lewis & Clark College, Northwestern School of Law, 1984

Membership and Activities

- Westside Economic Alliance, Executive Committee and Board of Directors (2007-Present); Government Affairs Committee Chair; Past President (2007-2008)
- Oregon State Bar, Sections on Business; Constitutional Law; Real Estate and Land Use, and Securities; Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland, Government Affairs and Legal Action Committee
- Metro Natural Hazards Committee, Former Chair