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David is a Member based in the Lexington office. He is a corporate transactional lawyer whose practice includes experience in mergers and acquisitions, forming and advising closely held companies, corporate governance, Delaware corporations, asset based lending, and general corporate counseling.

He has assisted clients in various industries, most recently completing deals in the financial services and manufacturing sectors.

CAPABILITIES

Practice Areas

- Business Services
- Corporate General Services
- Equine Practice
- Manufacturing
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Public Private Partnerships (P3)

RECENT ASSIGNMENTS

- General counsel to a Delaware corporation headquartered in Kentucky and its OCC-Chartered Trust Company subsidiary
- Represented purchaser of operating assets of Louisville manufacturing firm
- Representation of management team in its acquisition of the equity of Kentucky based manufacturer from a private equity fund
- Representation of stockholders of state chartered trust company in its acquisition by a state bank
- Representation of management team in purchase of equity of nursing home management company
- Counsel to a national bank in financing backed by 9/11, Hurricane Katrina, and Alabama and Joplin tornado debris removal contracts
- Counsel to national bank in one of the largest equine loan workouts and bankruptcies in industry history
- Counsel to Delaware corporation in issuer tender offer and reverse split
- Counsel to owner of golf cart parts and accessory manufacturer in sale to private equity fund

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Kentucky

RECENT NEWS, ARTICLES & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- The Nexus between Securities Law and Equine Law Practices
28th Annual National Conference on Equine Law, Lexington, Kentucky, May 1, 2013
- Kentucky's Court of Appeals upholds indemnity exclusion Stites & Harbison, PLLC, Client Alert, June 22, 2012
- Kentucky Supreme Court rejects shareholder level discounts Stites & Harbison, PLLC, Client Alert, March 6, 2012
- Private Company Charged with Securities Law Fraud by SEC Stites & Harbison, PLLC, Client Alert, January 10, 2012
- Lesson in Caution: Capital Call Provisions in Operating Agreements Stites & Harbison, PLLC, Client Alert, September 24, 2010
- Key Bankruptcy, Collection Law, Lien & Security Interest Issues in the Equine Industry co-presenter, 25th Annual National Conference on Equine Law, Lexington, Ky., April 28, 2010

FIRM LEADERSHIP

- Ethics Committee, Member
- Opinions Committee, Member
- Audit Letter Response Committee, Member

MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association
- Kentucky Bar Association , Equine Law Section, Vice President (former Chair)
- Fayette County Bar Association

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Centre College, Board of Trustees (2025-present)
- Boyle County Industrial Foundation, Board of Directors

EDUCATION

University of Kentucky College of Law J.D. 1999

Centre College B.A., English 1996

ACCOLADES

- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Corporate Governance Law; Corporate Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law (2021-25)
- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Lexington Area Lawyer of the Year for Corporate Law (2023)