

## Insights

### **Fenton D. Strickland Named Chair of Krieg DeVault's Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation Practice**

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Krieg DeVault is pleased to announce that Partner Fenton D. Strickland has been named as the firm's new Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation Practice Chair. He takes over the position previously held by Partner Alexander L. Mounts.

Mr. Strickland has been part of the Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation Practice since joining the firm in 2016, focusing his practice on employee stock ownership plans (ESOPs) and ESOP transactions, while also advising clients on all matters of retirement and incentive plans. He came to Krieg DeVault after many years of work as a CPA and then as an attorney serving a wide range of industries and companies of all sizes. Mr. Strickland is a graduate from the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law (*summa cum laude*, 2005) and twice served the Indiana Supreme Court, first as a Judicial Clerk and later as Counselor to the Chief Justice.

"Krieg DeVault has enjoyed a strong Employee Benefits Practice, and it is a privilege now to serve as its Chair," said Strickland. "It is a particularly exciting time for a group that in recent years has welcomed additional highly experienced and nationally recognized professionals, as well as young attorneys who have jumped in and made immediate contributions. I look forward to the opportunity to lead our team in continuing its delivery of excellent client service and discovery of new growth and innovation in our Benefits Practices."

Krieg advises employers of all kinds on employee benefit and executive compensation solutions, and frequently represents plan trustees, third-party administrators, and benefit consultants, involved with all types of retirement and welfare plans. Krieg DeVault's ESOP Practice is a national leader and innovator in structuring and implementing ESOPs for organizations throughout the United States, bringing over 140 years of combined counsel to clients in all industries.

#### **About Krieg DeVault**

Krieg DeVault LLP is a diversified law firm representing a wide variety of local, and national clients. It is a business-focused law firm with offices in Indianapolis, Carmel, Mishawaka, and Crown Point, Indiana; and Chicago, Illinois. The Firm's attorneys have significant experience in key areas that address the needs of a diversified client base.