

## Insights

### **Jude Anne Carluccio Joins Krieg DeVault's Employee Benefits and Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) Practices; will establish firm's legal presence in Minneapolis**

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Krieg DeVault is pleased to announce that Jude Anne Carluccio has joined the law firm of Krieg DeVault in an Of Counsel capacity. She will be an integral member of the firm's Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation and Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) Practice Groups and will establish the firm's legal presence in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"We are very excited and fortunate to have Ms. Carluccio joining our growing team of Employee Benefits attorneys," said Sharon Hearn, Partner and Chair of Krieg DeVault's Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation Practice. "Her national experience and leadership in structuring all aspects of ESOPs, as well as her presence in the Minneapolis market, will enhance our existing and well-established national practice."

Ms. Carluccio regularly represents many clients who are involved in buying or selling businesses and, in particular, clients who utilize ESOPs as a business succession tool. She is experienced in counseling all parties involved in the purchase or sale of closely held businesses, and represents parties in ESOP transactions including commercial lenders, institutional and individual trustees, shareholders, management, and third-party administrators. Her representation of such parties to ESOP transactions has included virtually all facets of legal issues arising from the ESOPs' unique shareholder status. Ms. Carluccio works with private and public companies regarding the design, implementation, qualification, administration, funding, communication and termination of all types of qualified and non-qualified employee benefit and executive compensation plans.

Ms. Carluccio earned her law degree at Fordham University and will service clients from the firm's Minneapolis, Minnesota office.

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