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Charlie Richert is a Senior Associate in the Firm's Business Practice. He assists clients in various matters across diverse industries, including mergers and acquisitions, contract drafting and negotiations, and governance issues for non-profit and for-profit organizations.

Mr. Richert also has experience in compliance audits and assisted with the 2021 follow-up audit of USA Gymnastics' compliance with the Daniels Report for the Protection of Young Athletes.

Charlie is an active member of the Indianapolis community and serves as an at-large committee member of the IndyBar Business Law Section. Additionally, he is currently on the Board of Directors for a local nonprofit in central Indiana and volunteers for an international anti-human trafficking organization.

In addition to his corporate law practice at Krieg DeVault, Mr. Richert served as an attorney for nearly 2 years for U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

### **Education**

- J.D., *summa cum laude*, Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, Indianapolis, Indiana, 2019
  - Indiana Law Review, Associate Articles Editor
- B.A. in Political Science, *summa cum laude*, Taylor University, Upland, Indiana

### **Bar & Court Admissions**

- Indiana, 2019

### **Practices**

- Business Services
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Securities
- Artificial Intelligence (AI)

### **Industries**

- Financial Services

### **Merger and Acquisition Deals**

- Lead counsel in sale of private security company
- Assisted lead transaction counsel in sale of ESOP-owned auto-parts retailer chain
- Assisted lead transaction counsel in sale of cyber risk management firm
- Assisted lead transaction counsel in purchase of architectural design firm
- Assisted lead counsel in the sale of 100% stock of industry-leading automotive protection company
- Assisted lead counsel in acquisition of component-parts manufacturer
- Assisted lead counsel in sale of trampoline park

### **Entity Formation, Corporate Governance, and Shareholder Relations Projects**

- Lead counsel in the formation and organization of numerous entities
- Assisted lead counsel to shareholder in shareholder dispute matter
- Advise and draft equity incentive plan for company employees

### **Non-Profit and Exempt Entity Projects**

- Represented exempt organization in formation and application for tax-exempt status, including drafting of organizational documents

### **Banking and Financial Institutions**

- Assist of the United States' largest financial institutions in the negotiation of banking services agreements, including agreements providing banking services in over 40 countries
- Assisted lead counsel in several credit union acquisitions of state banks across Indiana
- Assisted various financial industry trade associations with regulatory and compliance issues, including drafting and submitting correspondence to federal regulators

### **Professional Associations**

- Member Business Law Section, Indianapolis Bar Association
- Member, Indiana State Bar Association

### **Awards & Recognitions**

- Indiana Super Lawyers Rising Stars, 2025

### **Publications**

- Author, "Foreign Entities – To Register or Not to Register," July 11, 2024
- Co-Author, "Impact of AI in the M & A Sector: Key Advantages, Challenges, and Considerations," February 23, 2024
- Co-Author, "Delaware Duty of Oversight Extended to Officers – What about Indiana?" March 23, 2023