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EDUCATION

- Washington University School of Law, J.D., 1974, Managing Editor, Washington University Law Quarterly
- Vanderbilt University, B.A., 1971

AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association, Section of Business Law, ABA Advisory Panel, 2004-2014
- The Maritime Law Association of the United States, Maritime Finance Committee
- The Missouri Bar, Business Law Committee
- The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, Business Law Section

EMPLOYMENT

- Thompson Coburn LLP Partner, 1980-2023 Associate, 1974-1979

COMMUNITY

- FOCUS St. Louis, What's Right with the Region Committee, 2006-2013, Executive Committee, 2001-2006, Board of Directors, 2000-2006, President, 2002-2004, Finance Committee, 1992-2002; Chair, 2001-2002, Treasurer, 2001-2002
- Leadership St. Louis, Participant, 1984-1985
- St. Louis Metropolitan Forum, Charter Member, 2003-2006

For more than 40 years, Don counseled clients in connection with mergers and acquisitions as well as corporate and commercial transactions. He has represented businesses from a diverse group of industries, including health care, maritime transportation, equipment leasing, direct marketing, internet-based services, photographic services, printing, quarries and various technology services.

In addition to his corporate practice, Don has substantial maritime finance experience, having represented lenders and lessors, shipbuilders, and both inland and offshore vessel owners and operators. He has represented barge lines in connection with the financing and refinancing of some of the country's largest fleets of inland boats and barges.

Don has served in a number of leadership positions within Thompson Coburn, including Practice Area Leader, Corporate Department Chair and Executive Partner of the Firm. He also has been active in civic matters, most notably as a Director and the President of FOCUS St. Louis.

Recognitions

- Listed in The Best Lawyers in America (by BL Rankings), 2007-2024
- Named Lawyer of the Year for Mergers & Acquisitions in St. Louis (by BL Rankings), 2013; 2018, 2019
- Listed in Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers in Corporate Law and Transportation Maritime (by Thomson Reuters), 2005-2008, 2011-2018
- Named Lawyer of the Year for Corporate Law in St. Louis (by BL Rankings), 2016