

Betsy C. Thelen

Partner | Corporate & Securities

OVERVIEW

Betsy is a Partner in the firm's Corporate & Securities and Real Estate practice groups. In her Corporate & Securities practice, Betsy serves as outside counsel for a variety of sophisticated clients who may not have in-house counsel, from family investment offices and middle-market, privately held companies to U.S. subsidiaries of large, multi-national public companies. With over 20 years of experience advising clients in a variety of industries, Betsy's practice primarily focuses on mergers and acquisitions, issues relating to joint ventures, the formation of partnerships and limited liability companies, and advice regarding general corporate matters.

Betsy's Real Estate practice provides strategic representation to developers, operators, investors, and other clients throughout the United States in sophisticated real estate transactions involving the formation of joint ventures for the purpose of acquiring or constructing and developing large, multi-family residential and retail projects.

In response to the needs of firm clients, Betsy also serves as counsel for high net-worth individuals and family offices engaged in aircraft purchases and sales and related structural and compliance issues. Betsy counsels owners and holders of pre-paid jet cards or fractional interests in business jets on acquiring, selling and operating their aircraft.

EXPERIENCE

- Represented a significant family-owned plastics distributor in the sale of a majority ownership stake to an internationally-owned competitor.



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EDUCATION

Harvard Law School (J.D., 2001)

University of Michigan (B.A., Phi Beta Kappa, 1998), with high distinction

ADMISSIONS

Illinois



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- Represented a leading family-owned distributor of private label and branded aftermarket truck parts in its sale to an internationally owned private equity firm.
- Represented a family-owned health care packaging service in the sale of its business to an internationally owned, private equity-backed buyer.
- Represented owner, operator and developer in the formation and maintenance of joint ventures with investors.
- Represented a real estate investment fund in the formation of joint ventures to develop and construct multi-family residential projects in Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and elsewhere.
- Represented a leading supplier of building materials in acquisitions of Illinois providers of aggregates, agricultural limestone, crushed stone and road building products for commercial, agricultural and personal use.
- Represented the U.S. subsidiary of an international public company in acquisitions of multiple heat-related solutions providers.
- Represented high net-worth individuals and family investment offices in the sale and acquisition of aircraft.
- Represented high net-worth individuals and family investment offices in the acquisition and renewal of fractional ownership interests in aircraft.

RECOGNITIONS

- *The Legal 500 United States*, recommended in "M&A/Corporate & Commercial: M&A: Middle-market (sub-\$500 million)" since 2022
- *Law Bulletin Publishing Company*, "40 Illinois Attorneys Under Forty to Watch," 2014
- *The M&A Advisor* "40 Under 40 Recognition Awards – Legal Advisor," 2014

NEWS & INSIGHTS

September 20, 2024 Event

NGE Attends 2024 Goldie Gala

May 10, 2024 Event

Eric McLimore and Betsy Thelen Attend the NBAA Business Aviation Taxes Seminar

June 12, 2023 Firm News

The Legal 500 United States 2023 Edition Recommends Four Neal Gerber Eisenberg Practices and 23 Attorneys



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August 11, 2022 Firm News

NGE Represents Omeda Holdings LLC in Sale to Sverica Capital Management LP

June 15, 2022 Firm News

NGE Represents Orla Mining in Its \$242 Million Acquisition of Gold Standard

June 10, 2022 Firm News

The Legal 500 United States 2022 Edition Recommends Four Neal Gerber Eisenberg Practices and 19 Attorneys

May 2, 2022 Firm News

NGE Represents S&S Truck Parts in Its Sale to Investcorp

February 4, 2021 Firm News

NGE Represents National Medical Billing Services in Its Strategic Partnership with Aquiline Capital Partners

October 7, 2020 Firm News

NGE Counsels Hycroft Mining Holding Corporation in \$86 Million Public Offering

June 1, 2020 Firm News

NGE Secures Sale of Hycroft Mining Corporation to Mudrick Capital Acquisition Corporation

January 28, 2020 Firm News

NGE Represents GLS Capital LLC in \$345 Million Debut Fund

January 15, 2020 Firm News

NGE Represents Hycroft Mining Corporation in Sale to Mudrick Capital Acquisition Corporation

January 14, 2019 Firm News

NGE Represents Goldcorp Inc. in Multibillion-Dollar Deal Creating World's Largest Gold Producer

July 9, 2018 Firm News

Six Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Named Emerging Lawyers by Law Bulletin Publishing Company

July 9, 2018 Firm News

Firm Represents Fonterra Co-operative Group in Sale of Interest in DairiConcepts

July 6, 2018 Firm News

Neal Gerber Eisenberg Represents Covanta Holding Corporation in \$400 Million Offering

July 6, 2018 Firm News

Neal Gerber Eisenberg Advises Goldcorp Inc. in Acquisition of Exeter Resource Corporation