

Robert G. "Bobby" Gerber

Managing Partner | Corporate & Securities

OVERVIEW

Robert ("Bobby") is the managing partner of the firm, a member of its Executive Committee, and a co-chair of its Diversity & Inclusion Committee. A partner in the Corporate & Securities practice group, he focuses on counseling private companies on transactional and governance matters impacting their operations around the world, including mergers and acquisitions, private equity investments, joint venture transactions, divestitures, corporate restructurings and succession planning.

Bobby is also a strategic advisor to wealthy families and entrepreneurs concerning critical business decisions and personal matters including the maximizing of revenues and preserving personal wealth. He also counsels clients on the transition of business leadership and wealth across generations. Serving a diverse range of client needs including estate planning, investment advice, financing, tax planning, and charitable endeavors, Bobby consistently finds innovative ways to ensure clients' business interests and personal lives are protected at every level.

Committed to serving his community, he is a member of the Development Committee of Chicago Legal Aid Clinic, serves on the Alumni Board of the College of Arts & Sciences of Indiana University and the Alumni Board of the Borns Jewish Studies Program at Indiana University. He is on the Board of Regents of Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and is Vice President of the American Friends of Hebrew University's Midwest Board. Additionally, he serves as a member of the Governing Commission of the Hillels of Illinois.

Bobby also sits on NGE's Income Partner Review, Marketing/Client Development, Retirement Plans, and Tax



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EDUCATION

The John Marshall Law School (J.D., 1998) *cum laude*

Indiana University - Bloomington
(B.A., 1994)

ADMISSIONS

Illinois

Review Committees as well as the Generative AI Working Group.

Bobby is a member of the American Bar Association and the Chicago Bar Association. While in law school, he was executive editor of the John Marshall Law Review and was a member of the Order of John Marshall.

EXPERIENCE

- Represented a client in the payment card industry in connection with the sale of its \$100 million dollar merchant processing portfolio.
- Acting as outside general counsel for a second generation family owned business with its growth and succession planning, including a series of strategic acquisitions allowing the company to grow to over \$1.5 billion in revenue.
- Represented a family in the establishment of a family office continue to work with the family with respect to estate planning, personal investments, including acquisition of real estate, a motor yacht, a fractional interest in an aircraft and matters relating to their domestic employees.
- Represented a second generation shareholder of a family owned business in a shareholder dispute which ultimately resulting in the shareholder obtaining control of the board and selling the business.
- Represented a client in the formation of a \$75 million joint venture and subsequent buyout of his business partner.
- Represented RAK Ceramics (P.S.C.), the world's largest manufacturer and distributor of ceramic and porcelain tile and other ceramic products, in connection with multiple private label manufacturing and distribution transactions with business partners in North America, Europe and Asia.
- Represent RAK Ceramics (P.S.C.) in connection with its trademark prosecution and enforcement in over 125 countries worldwide.

RECOGNITIONS

- "Notable Leaders in Accounting, Consulting & Law," *Crain's Chicago Business*, 2024
- "Notable Gen X Leaders in Law," *Crain's Chicago Business*, 2021
- *The Legal 500 United States*, recommended in "M&A/Corporate & Commercial: M&A: Middle-market (sub-\$500 million)" since 2020
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, recommended in "Corporate Law" 2016-2023

NEWS & INSIGHTS

September 9, 2024 Firm News

Bobby Gerber, Michael Kelber and Leah Schleicher Named to *Crain's Chicago Business* 2024 Notable Leaders in Accounting, Consulting and Law

May 21, 2024 Event

NGE Attends All Stars Project, Inc. National Gala

November 9, 2022 Publication

FinCEN's Final Rule on Beneficial Ownership Information Reporting Requirements Defers Effective Date until January 1, 2024

August 18, 2022 Firm News

60 Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Included in 2023 *Best Lawyers*

July 27, 2022 Event

Bobby Gerber Joins Panel on Dimensions of a Post-Pandemic Normal

July 21, 2022 Firm News

Neal Gerber Eisenberg Private Wealth Practice Group and Larry Richman Ranked in *Chambers High Net Worth* 2022

June 22, 2022 In The Media

Robert Gerber and Scott Fisher Discuss Law Firm Succession Planning with Aon Professional Services

May 2, 2022 Firm News

Neal Gerber Eisenberg Selected As Finalist in the Family Wealth Report Awards 2022

February 1, 2022 Firm News

Neal Gerber Eisenberg Enhances Corporate & Securities Group With Partner Gregory Grove

January 11, 2022 Publication

Client Alert: The Corporate Transparency Act of 2019: A New Era of Beneficial Ownership Disclosure and Entity Formation

January 6, 2022 In The Media

Managing Partner Bobby Gerber Discusses "The Issues Weighing On Mid-Law MPs As '22 Begins" with Law360

January 6, 2022 In The Media

Managing Partner Bobby Gerber Quoted in Law.com Article on Fixing Problems in the Legal Industry

November 19, 2021 Firm News

Bobby Gerber, Angela Elbert and Bill Tarnow Named to *Crain's* 2021 Notable Gen X Leaders in Law

October 4, 2021 Firm News

Neal Gerber Eisenberg Achieves Mansfield 4.0 Certification

August 18, 2021 Firm News

52 Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Included in 2022 *Best Lawyers*



August 3, 2021 In The Media

Bobby Gerber Interviewed by Chicago Daily Law Bulletin on New Managing Partner Role

June 10, 2021 Firm News

The Legal 500 United States 2021 Edition Recommends Four Neal Gerber Eisenberg Practices and 15 Attorneys

June 3, 2021 In The Media

Bobby Gerber Interviewed by Law.com on Becoming Managing Partner

May 6, 2021 Firm News

Neal Gerber Eisenberg Named Legal Team of the Year by the *Family Wealth Report* Awards

April 14, 2021 In The Media

Bobby Gerber Interviewed by Law360 on New Managing Partner Role

April 8, 2021 Firm News

NGE Announces New Managing Partner

January 21, 2021 Publication

Client Alert: Newly Enacted Corporate Transparency Act of 2019 Introduces Significant New Reporting

August 19, 2020 Firm News

46 Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Included in 2021 Best Lawyers

August 5, 2020 Publication

PPP Loan Deadline Is August 8, EIDL Loans Still Available

August 5, 2020 Publication

SBA Releases FAQ on PPP Loan Forgiveness

July 6, 2020 Publication

PPP Extended to August; SBA Accepting New Applications for Economic Injury Disaster Loans and Advances

June 15, 2020 Firm News

The Legal 500 United States 2020 Edition Recommends Five Neal Gerber Eisenberg Practices and 21 Attorneys

June 10, 2020 Publication

Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act and Other Updates to the Paycheck Protection Program

May 29, 2020 In The Media

Bobby Gerber and David Schmidt Interviewed by WBBM-AM on Manufacturing PPE

May 21, 2020 Publication

Interim Final Rule on Inclusion of Foreign Employees in Determining PPP Eligibility and Related Safe Harbor

May 18, 2020 Publication

SBA Releases PPP Loan Forgiveness Application

May 18, 2020 Publication

PPP Loan Repayment and Safe Harbor Checklist

May 14, 2020 Publication

Updated PPP Loan FAQ from U.S. Treasury Extends Safe Harbor to Repay PPP Loans to May 18, 2020

May 13, 2020 Publication

Updated PPP Loan FAQ from the U.S. Treasury Department with Guidance on Its Review of the Certification Regarding the Necessity of the Loan

May 7, 2020 Publication

Updated PPP Loan FAQ from U.S. Treasury, Safe Harbor to Repay Loans Extended to May 14, Employee Count Clarified to Include Foreign Employees

May 4, 2020 Publication

IRS Asserts That Business Expenses Paid with Forgiven Paycheck Protection Program Loans Are Not Deductible

May 1, 2020 Publication

SBA Issues Interim Final Rule Capping Aggregate PPP Loan Amounts at \$20M for Single Corporate Groups

April 30, 2020 Publication

So You Were Approved for a Paycheck Protection Program Loan—Now What?

April 29, 2020 Publication

PPP Loan FAQ from the U.S. Treasury Department

March 27, 2020 Publication

Help Available: Learn More about Federal, State and Local Relief Funds for Businesses

November 11, 2019 In The Media

Robert Gerber Participates in *Crain's* Private Companies Roundtable

August 15, 2019 Firm News

45 Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Included in 2020 Best Lawyers

August 15, 2018 Firm News

45 Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Included in 2019 Best Lawyers

July 9, 2018 Firm News

46 Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Included in 2016 Best Lawyers

July 9, 2018 Firm News

Neal Gerber Eisenberg Hosts Businesswoman and Best-Selling Author Beverly Johnson

July 9, 2018 Firm News

45 Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Included in 2017 Best Lawyers

July 6, 2018 Firm News

44 Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Included in 2018 Best Lawyers