



## Eric S. Clarke

### Partner

Eric is a partner in the firm's corporate department, Co-Founding Partner and Managing Partner of the Walnut Creek Office.

Eric's practice focuses on advising middle market companies and family offices on a wide range of corporate and business issues including asset protection advice and strategies, succession planning and advice, mergers and acquisitions, technology development and licensing and general company representation.

Eric advises middle market companies, family offices and family principals on complex business issues including acquisition and disposition of assets, asset protection, risk management and wealth transfer strategies. Clients rely upon him for his business acumen, judgment and negotiating skills to grow and protect their business assets. Many of his family office and private company clients retain him to serve as outside coordinating counsel, to assist them with implementation of business growth and risk management strategies.

Eric also advises clients in connection with a wide range of general business and commercial matters, including commercial contracts, licensing arrangements, employment and consulting arrangements, compliance matters, and corporate governance.

#### Representative Work

Eric has closed over 80 Merger and Acquisition transactions in a wide variety of industry fields, including Software, IT Services, Manufacturing, Medical Devices, Shipping and Transportation, Logistics, Financial Services, Agriculture, Cloud Computing, and the Automotive Industry.

#### Publications

"The Main Street Lending Program: How it Works and Who is it For?," co-author, Business Disruption Strategies Law Alert (April 2020)

"PPP Loans Coming for Independent Contractors and Self-Employed Individuals," co-author, Business Disruption Strategies Law Alert (April 2020)

"UPDATE: CARES Act: Paycheck Protection Loans and Eligibility for Loan Forgiveness," co-author, Business Disruption Strategies Law Alert (April 2020)

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#### Firm Leadership

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#### Practices/Industries

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Corporate

Intellectual Property

Technology

Private Equity and Venture Capital

Institutional Investors

Private Investment Funds

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"CARES Act: Paycheck Protection Loans and Eligibility for Loan Forgiveness," co-author, Business Disruption Strategies Law Alert (March 2020)

### **Presentations**

2016 Business Idea Competition, panelist, Saint Mary's College (March 2016)

### **Professional Affiliations**

Keiretsu Forum, Technology and Licensing Committee Member

### **Education**

J.D., University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law (1993)

B.A., St. Mary's College of California

### **Admissions and Courts**

California