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For more than five decades, Bob has counseled banks and financial institutions in a full range of operational and regulatory matters. He focuses his practice on the purchase and sale of banks, the chartering and organization of de novo banks, and the development of expanded banking activities. He also defends banks, financial institutions, and officers and directors in bank agency enforcement actions.

Bob's deep experience with banking regulation and reform stems from his time serving as Regional Counsel for the Office of Comptroller of the Currency, where he was responsible for legal and regulatory enforcement for all national banks located within a five-state region. Since entering private practice, Bob has leveraged that experience on behalf of local and community banks throughout the West. His practice encompasses federal and state regulatory oversight of financial institutions and his experience includes serving as outside regulatory counsel for banks, who rely on him to serve as a conduit with state and federal regulators.

Bob also represents banks and financial institutions in transactional matters including acquisitions and dispositions. Due to the highly regulated nature of his practice, he works diligently to ensure his clients stay abreast and compliant with the most recent developments and changes in the law.

Education

Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 1963
Georgetown University, B.A., Economics, 1960

Bar Admissions

Colorado
District of Columbia
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

Sectors

Banking and Finance

Representative Experience

- Represented purchasers or sellers in dozens of bank and bank holding company acquisition transactions
- Represented organizers in excess of a dozen de novo bank charters, including a six-branch acquisition, stock offering and new charter in Southern Colorado
- Counsel to outside directors in failing bank
- Provided counsel to numerous banks regarding regulatory enforcement actions
- Represented directors of failed banks in defense of civil money penalty and removal actions
- Counseled banks concerning products and expansion activities
- Represented out-of-state bank and trust companies seeking legal entry into the Colorado market

Professional Affiliations

- Colorado Bankers Associates
 - Consultants Roundtable, 2009 - present
- Colorado Bar Association
- Denver Bar Association
- Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce
 - Leadership Denver Alumni Association
 - Leadership Denver, 1976
- University of Colorado Graduate School of Banking
 - Former faculty member (Bank Regulation)

Community Involvement

- Reisher Family Foundation
 - A supporting organization of The Denver Foundation makes grants to the Reisher Family Scholarship Fund.
 - Trustee, 2000 - present
- Central City Opera Association
 - Board of Directors, past
- Art Students League of Denver
 - Board of Directors, past

Recognition

- Colorado Bar Association
 - Bar Fellow, 2004 - present

- Martindale- Hubbell AV Preeminent rated
- Office of Comptroller of the Currency Appreciation Award, 1978
- Law Week Colorado
 - Barrister's Best Banking Lawyer, 2024

Presentations

- “Ask an Attorney,” Colorado Bankers Association Annual Meeting (May 29-30, 2013)