

Katie S. Riles

Partner

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Biography

Katie Riles has extensive experience in business and real estate law, as well as probate matters. She provides practical, results-driven counsel to individuals, businesses, and organizations across diverse industries, navigating both complex and straightforward transactions and other legal challenges.

Business Law

Katie advises on business formation, guiding clients in entity selection and structuring. She drafts and negotiates key governance documents, including operating agreements, bylaws, and shareholder agreements. As outside general counsel, she supports businesses with ownership transitions, employment agreements, and business succession planning.

With significant expertise in mergers and acquisitions, Katie represents buyers and sellers through all stages of the transaction, from letters of intent and due diligence to negotiating purchase agreements and providing post-closing support. She also drafts and negotiates various business contracts, including distribution, subcontractor, and SaaS agreements.

Katie's experience extends to loan documentation, assisting both financial institutions and businesses with loan structuring, as well as preparing and filing mortgages and financing statements. She also supports clients raising capital through exempt offerings, including private placement memoranda and Form D filings.

Real Estate Law

Katie regularly assists with commercial and residential real estate transactions, including drafting purchase agreements, conducting due diligence, and reviewing title documents. She also works with landlords and tenants on lease negotiations and drafting for commercial and industrial properties.

Probate Matters

Katie helps individuals and families with estate administration matters, guiding personal representatives through the probate process.

Katie's holistic approach to legal services blends deep knowledge with a focus on client-specific solutions, ensuring effective outcomes and long-term client success.

Education

Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, JD, *cum laude*, 2015

Vanderbilt University, MEd, Organizational Leadership, 2010

Vanderbilt University, BS, Human and Organizational Development, 2009

Bar & Court Admissions

- Indiana, 2015
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana, 2015
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana, 2015

Awards & Recognition

Indianapolis Monthly Top Lawyers

- Corporate Law: 2026

Legal 500 Elite

- Corporate and Mergers & Acquisitions: 2025 – present

The Best Lawyers in America®: Ones to Watch

- Business Organizations (Including LLCs and Partnerships): 2023 – present
- Real Estate Law: 2026
- Trusts and Estates: 2026

Indiana Super Lawyers®: Rising Stars

- Business / Corporate Law: 2025

Practice Areas

- Business & Corporate Law
- Business Contract Drafting & Negotiation
- Business Entity Selection & Formation
- Business Mergers & Acquisitions
- Business Succession Planning
- Real Estate, Land Use & Zoning
- Commercial Real Estate & Leasing
- Residential Real Estate
- Non-competition Covenants
- Non-competition Agreements
- Probate Administration

Associations

- American Bar Association
- Indiana State Bar Association
- Indianapolis Bar Association

