



## David W. Brown

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David Brown is a nationally recognized public finance and securities attorney, known for his leadership in complex transactions and his strategic counsel to issuers, underwriters, and investors.

David serves as Practice Group Leader for the Public Finance Practice Group at Lewis Rice. He advises clients involved in public and private financings, securities transactions, and mergers and acquisitions. Dave represents underwriters, placement agents, issuers, and other parties in equity and debt transactions, including registered public offerings, private placements, and municipal bond financings. Over the past several years, he has participated in transactions resulting in the issuance of more than \$10 billion in securities. He is also a frequent speaker to trade and professional groups on various aspects of securities law.

Dave regularly counsels clients who are starting new businesses, considering buying or selling a business, seeking capital investments, or restructuring existing debt or equity. His work includes representing entrepreneurs raising capital, companies negotiating revised terms with lenders or stakeholders, and sellers working with financial or strategic buyers. He also advises investors seeking to purchase or invest in existing businesses.

Dave served as an adjunct professor at Washington University School of Law, where he taught mergers and acquisitions for 10 years. He is AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell and has been selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® from 2019 to 2026. In 2022, *Best Lawyers*® named him “St. Louis Public Finance Lawyer of the Year.”

### Education

- Boston College Law School (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1995)
- University of Massachusetts (Master of Education, 1988)
- Trinity College (B.A., 1984)
  - Philosophy

### Legal Background

### Services

- Public Finance
- Banking & Financial
- Corporate Strategies
- Securities, Capital Markets & Investments
- Municipal Law, Zoning & Finance
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Opportunity Zones
- Education

- Adjunct professor, mergers and acquisitions, Washington University School of Law (2008-2017)

### **Professional Affiliations**

- American Bar Association
- National Association of Bond Lawyers
- Illinois State Bar Association
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis

### **Admissions**

- Missouri Bar
- Illinois Bar