



Derick C. Albers

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Derick Albers advises clients on complex litigation and corporate matters, bringing the precision of a former CPA and the perspective of a trial attorney.

Derick represents companies, banks, and other clients in a wide range of litigation and corporate matters. A former licensed CPA at a Big Four accounting firm, he leverages his deep financial background to focus extensively on shareholder disputes, securities litigation, and trust and estate/fiduciary litigation. He also advises both for-profit and nonprofit corporate clients on issues including corporate governance, Board of Director and officer disputes, and securities regulation—frequently representing clients in investigations by the SEC, FINRA, and various state regulatory agencies.

In addition to his core focus areas, Derick handles cases involving banking, insurance (including coverage disputes), real estate, employment, and other financial and business-related issues. He has successfully defended banks and other companies in high-stakes, “bet-the-company” litigation, including multiple cases and arbitrations involving tens of millions of dollars. Early in his career, Derick was part of a legal team that secured a record-setting \$60 million verdict on behalf of a nonprofit health clinic.

Before attending law school, Derick practiced as a Certified Public Accountant at a Big Four firm, where he specialized in tax consulting for individuals, corporations, partnerships, LLCs, and other entities.

A native of Nebraska, Derick is admitted to practice in both Missouri and Illinois. While at Washington University School of Law, he served as an editor of the *Law Review* and participated in moot court and the criminal justice clinic. Derick was selected for inclusion in *Missouri & Kansas Rising Stars*® from 2014 to 2018.

Education

- Washington University in St. Louis School of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2008)
 - Order of the Coif
 - *Washington University Law Review*, senior editor
 - Wiley Rutledge Moot Court, Golden Quill Award for Best Brief

Services

- Complex Litigation
- Securities Litigation
- Trust & Estate Litigation
- Banking Litigation
- Property Tax Litigation
- Labor & Employment
- Real Estate
- Athletics

- Samuel M. Breckinridge Book Award
- University of Nebraska (M.S., 2001)
 - Master of Professional Accountancy
- University of Nebraska (B.S., *highest distinction*, 2000)
 - Business Administration

Legal Background

- Summer associate, Lewis Rice LLC (2006, 2007)
- Intern, St. Louis County Public Defender's Office (August-December 2007)

Corporate Background

- Senior tax consultant, Deloitte & Touche LLP (2002-2005)

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis

Admissions

- Missouri Bar
- Illinois Bar

Charitable & Civic Involvement

- Coach, Basketball, Christ the King Catholic School (2016–present), CYC City-County Champions (2024)
- Coach, Club Basketball, Hustle Elite (2024–present)
- Coach, Youth Soccer, Christ the King Catholic School (2016-2021)
- Board of Governors, Bellerive Country Club (2024–present)
- Trustee, Brittany Wood Subdivision, University City, MO (2013-2022)
- Board of Directors, Peter & Paul Community Services (2018-2021)
- Board of Directors, The Nursery Foundation of St. Louis (2011-14)

Certifications

- Certified public accountant (currently inactive, State of Nebraska certificate no. 7098)
- Gold Certificate Award (for receiving the highest score on the November 2001 CPA examination in the State of Nebraska)

Firm Committees

- Member, AI Committee (2025–present)
- Recruiting Committee (2011–2025)
- Co-Chair, Recruiting Committee (2021–2025)
- Former Member, Audit Response Committee
- Former Member, Diversity Committee

