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Steve Poindexter advises financial institutions and businesses on complex lending and commercial transactions, offering practical solutions tailored to each client's strategic goals.

Steve serves as Practice Group Leader for the Lending & Finance practice group at Lewis Rice. With more than 20 years of experience, Steve is a trusted advisor to national and regional banks, guiding them through complex commercial lending transactions, including syndicated loans, real estate financings, and asset-based lending arrangements. His experience includes representing both lenders and borrowers in high-value, multi-faceted financing deals.

In addition to his lending work, Steve counsels clients on a wide range of commercial transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, supply and distribution agreements, and other key corporate contracts. Known for his practical approach and strong industry insight, he works closely with clients to develop solutions that align with their business objectives while navigating legal complexities with clarity and precision.

Steve is a former member of the Firm's Recruiting and Associate Development Committees. He was selected for inclusion in *Missouri & Kansas Rising Stars*® 2011 and named to the *St. Louis Business Journal's* "30 Under 30" Class of 2007. In 2024, he was listed in the IFLR1000 "Highly Regarded – State" list, which recognizes attorneys with outstanding deal records and strong peer and client feedback.

Education

- University of Missouri at Columbia School of Law (J.D., 2004)
- University of Missouri at Columbia (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2001)
 - Economics

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association

Admissions

Services

- Lending & Finance
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Banking & Financial
- Corporate Strategies

- Missouri Bar

Charitable & Civic Involvement

- Volunteer Lawyer's Program (2004-2007)
 - Former Member of the Board of Trustees, MS Corporate Achievers Program, Young Professionals (National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Gateway Area Chapter)
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Lending & Finance

Steve is a Practice Group Leader of the Lending & Finance practice group at Lewis Rice, where he is known for his practical, results-oriented approach to commercial lending transactions. With extensive experience representing national and regional banks, Steve specializes in structuring and negotiating complex financing arrangements, including syndicated loans, real estate financing, acquisition financing, sponsor finance, asset-based lending, and other secured and unsecured credit facilities.

Steve's clients value his ability to navigate intricate legal and business challenges efficiently, ensuring that transactions move forward smoothly and close on time. His deep understanding of lending transactions and regulatory landscapes allows him to quickly identify potential issues and develop pragmatic solutions that keep deals on track. Steve's commitment to client service, combined with his ability to manage difficult issues with precision and foresight, ensures that his clients' transactions are completed on time and with confidence.

Recent Representations:

- A consumer goods company in obtaining a \$70 million secured revolving credit facility.
- A national bank in a \$13 million secured revolving line of credit facility.
- A national bank in an \$8 million secured revolving credit facility.
- A real estate developer in a \$27 million construction loan.
- A regional bank in a \$3 million secured revolving credit facility.
- An electrical contractor in a \$43 million secured revolving credit facility and term loan facility.
- A real estate developer in a \$9 million real estate secured credit facility.
- A regional bank in a \$2 million secured revolving credit facility and \$5 million acquisition and term loan credit facility.
- A regional bank in an \$18 million construction loan.
- A national bank in a \$50 million secured revolving credit facility.
- A real estate developer in a \$14 million construction loan.