

Auto & Truck Dealership

Stinson's Auto & Truck Dealership practice is well versed in the unique needs and challenges of the auto and truck industry and its member dealerships. We represent numerous auto and truck dealerships throughout the country, and regularly engage with auto and truck manufacturers and the financing companies that serve the industry on behalf of our dealership clients.

The services we provide for auto and truck, implement, and RV dealerships and distributors range from acting as general counsel to representation on specific matters involving equity owner buy/sell agreements, union and labor negotiations, manufacturer issues, fleets, floor plans, franchising and succession planning. When a legal challenge does arise, our skilled litigation attorneys stand ready to advocate for our dealer clients.

EXPERIENCE

We have significant experience providing legal advice and counsel to the motor vehicle dealership industry and its members with matters such as:

- Structuring ownership, corporate planning, tax and estate planning, and succession planning
- Motor vehicle franchise law
- Negotiations with labor unions and pension representatives
- Acquisitions and sales of dealerships and distributorships
- Manufacturer approvals, terminations and consents
- Real estate transactions and valuations
- Federal and state regulatory matters, including environmental law, consumer protection, antitrust, and trade and business regulation
- Employment law, including compensation and benefits programs
- Floor plan, real estate and other dealer financing needs
- Dispute resolution and litigation
- Facility acquisition, entitlement and construction

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- Land use and eminent domain

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

- Allstate Peterbilt
- Amdahl Motors
- Autohaus BMW
- Brainerd Nissan
- Burnsville Toyota
- Dodge of Burnsville, Inc.
- Dondelinger Motors, Inc.
- Harry Browns Family Automotive
- Hilligoss Automotive Group
- Jay Malone Motors
- Juettner Motors
- Lexus of Wayzata
- Lichtsinn RV
- Lupient Automotive Group
- Mauer Chevrolet
- Miller Chevrolet, LLC
- Miller Enterprises Automotive Group
- MINI of St. Louis
- Minnesota Automobile Dealers Association
- Napleton Automotive Group
- Nereson Automotive, Inc.
- O'Neill Automotive, Inc.,
- Rihm Kenworth
- Ryan Automotive Group
- Stillwater Motor Company
- Suntrup Hyundai
- Suntrup Kia

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- Suntrup Nissan
- Suntrup VW
- Tanner Motors
- West Metro Buick- GMC, Inc.
- W.D. Larson Companies., LTD, Inc.
- White Bear Lincoln-Mercury, Inc.
- Willmar Motors, LLC
- Wolff Motors Holdings, Inc.

Stinson also represents the Minnesota Auto Dealers Association and the Greater Metropolitan Automobile Dealers Association of Minnesota.

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