

## Scott D. Claassen

### OF COUNSEL

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**Scott combines his knowledge of corporate finance and securities law to guide leading companies through complex transactions and growth.**

Public and private companies turn to Scott for his seasoned counsel in mergers and acquisitions, general corporate law and corporate governance, and securities law compliance. Clients value his unique combination of hands-on farming experience paired with a Harvard law education, and a keen grasp of corporate securities. This unique background gives Scott practical, in-depth understanding of the key issues that impact and drive corporate business in the United States and internationally.

Scott's strong experience attests to his skill in corporate finance, fiercely protecting and advancing his clients' interests in the competitive marketplace. Areas of strength include representing a range of clients, from start-ups to public companies, in mergers and acquisitions, general corporate law and securities law compliance. Scott also counsels clients on pre-merger notification compliance under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act.

### EXPERIENCE

Scott recently served as general counsel to a NASDAQ-listed global financial transaction services corporation. He advised the board of directors and management on strategic issues across

### PRACTICES & INDUSTRIES

Corporate Finance  
Governance, Risk & Compliance  
Venture Capital & Emerging Companies  
Public Companies, Securities & Capital Markets  
Mergers & Acquisitions  
Private Business  
Agribusiness

### ADMISSIONS

Missouri, 2000  
Kansas, 2021

### EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, J.D., 2000  
University of Kansas, M.B.A., Finance Concentration, 1992  
Kansas State University, B.S., *magna cum laude*, 1988

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diverse jurisdictions, global acquisitions and financings, implemented corporate governance policies, and negotiated major commercial agreements.

### **Scott represents public and private companies in domestic and cross-border mergers, acquisitions and divestitures, including:**

Sale of Everest Global Technology Group, LLC, an internet, telephony and cable service business and subsidiary of Aquila, Inc., to Seaport Capital Partners III, L.P. through an auction process.

Sale of AeroComm Inc., a designer and manufacturer of wireless communications systems, to Laird Technologies, Inc., a subsidiary of Laird Group PLC.

Merger of equals of FCStone Group, Inc. and International Assets Holding Corporation resulting in a combined company with a market capitalization of \$285 million.

### **Scott also represents clients in public and private offerings of equity and debt securities, including:**

Initial public offering of \$141 million of common stock by FCStone Group, Inc.

Secondary public offering of \$141 million of common stock by FCStone Group, Inc.

## **PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC ACTIVITIES**

The Missouri Bar

American Bar Association, Business Law Section

## **NEWS**

Corporate Finance, Securities Law Attorney Scott Claassen Returns to Stinson in Kansas City  
07.03.2024

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Colorado Joins the "Baby" HSR Trend  
07.09.2025

Washington State First to Adopt "Baby HSR" Act  
04.15.2025

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