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Zack's practice is focused on corporate governance, contracting matters, complex business transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, private securities work, and advising private and family businesses in the negotiation, formation, restructuring and succession planning of their businesses. He also helps businesses develop, implement and manage their Corporate Transparency Act compliance programs.

Zack is a former United States Army Military Intelligence Captain. He served as the Deputy Commander for U.S. Special Operations Forces in Northern Afghanistan from 2018 – 2019, navigating complex high pressure situations in an ambiguous cross-cultural environment. This experience gives him a unique perspective and approach to providing high-quality legal services to clients.

Prior to joining the firm, Zack served as a Stinson summer associate and school-term law clerk, where he gained experience conducting due diligence on multimillion dollar M&A matters, drafting operating agreements and bylaws for nonprofit trade associations and family businesses, and revising operating and subscription agreements in support of serial entrepreneurs. He also served as a judicial extern to the Honorable Susan Nelson, where he worked on civil and criminal cases, and as a summer law clerk at Honeywell, where he worked on data privacy statutes and contracting documents in support of administrative agency filings.

PRACTICES & INDUSTRIES

Private Business Corporate Finance Mergers & Acquisitions Private Equity Venture Capital & Emerging Companies International Energy Renewable Energy

ADMISSIONS

Minnesota

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota, J.D., cum laude

- *Minnesota Journal of International Law*, Editor-in-Chief
- Ronald M. Mankoff Tax Clinic, Student Attorney & Student Director
- Business Law Association, Co-President
- Federal Securities Regulation Book Award

United States Military Academy, B.S., Economics

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Outside of his legal practice, Zack enjoys cycling, video gaming, birding and bird photography.

EXPERIENCE

Zack has been part of teams assisting clients across the upper Midwest in completing the sale of their businesses, including the sale of a wealth management firm to a rising industry leader, a regional manufacturing firm to a global industry leader, and several Midwest car dealerships to other industry players. He also has participated in assisting serial entrepreneurs both on the company side and broker/ dealer side of several transactions effectuating the formation, governance, and private securities offerings of new and emerging businesses. Zack also regularly works with clients in the distribution, renewable energy, and environmental industries to navigate various ownership, regulatory, and commercial contract related issues as they arise.

Zack also has an active pro bono practice. He assists on both transactional and litigation related matters and has helped several aspiring entrepreneurs in forming their businesses. He makes use of his international experience by helping those who have escaped from internationally recognized conflict areas secure asylum and citizenship in the United States. Zack also enjoys assisting low-income individuals resolve their tax disputes with the Internal Revenue Service and the Minnesota Department of Revenue.

PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC ACTIVITIES

West Point Association of Graduates Advisory Council

Service to School

NEWS

Stinson Attorneys Featured in Minnesota Law School Magazine Highlighting Impact of Pro Bono Work 04.26.2024

Stinson Attorneys Analyze CTA vs. NYLTA in *Bloomberg Law* as Federal Ruling Could Impact Similar State Laws

03.12.2024

Despite District Court Challenge, CTA Still Relevant, Zack Taylor Says in *Kansas City Business Journal* Article

03.11.2024

Zack Taylor Featured in *Minnesota Lawyer's* Breaking the Ice Series 02.23.2024

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Stinson Welcomes its Fall Associates Class of 2023 11.29.2023

PUBLICATIONS

"CTA Ruling Poses Uncertain Future for States With Similar Laws," Bloomberg Law, March 2024

The Corporate Transparency Act Found Unconstitutional, Now What? 03.05.2024

Overview of New Reporting Requirements Under the Corporate Transparency Act 12.05.2023

