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Randy Sparling practices commercial law and estate planning. He has substantial experience in representing clients engaged in business acquisitions and dispositions. He also has assisted clients in debt and equity financing transactions and advised businesses with respect to compliance with franchise and distribution regulations. Prior to entering private practice, Mr. Sparling served as Compliance Officer for the First National Bank of St. Paul.

Practice Areas

- [Business Organizations/Transactional](#)
- Commercial Law
 - Business Entity Formations
 - Shareholder Agreements
 - Business Acquisitions and Dispositions
 - Debt and Equity Financing Transactions
 - Franchise and Distribution Regulation Compliance
- [Estate Planning](#)
 - Complex Estate Plans
 - Split Interest Trusts
 - Business Succession Planning

Representative Cases/Work

- Formation of entities to operate a business and the allocation of ownership among the principal owners, including the arrangements for the transition of ownership in the event of the admission of additional owners or the departure of owners
- Client representation in connection with financing transactions, including the issuance of collateralized debentures to qualified institutional buyers and in connection therewith has negotiated the terms of the indentures under which the debt instruments were issued
- Client representation in all aspects of business acquisition transactions, including the “due diligence” investigation of the target, the negotiation of the acquisition agreement, the establishment of financing arrangements for the transaction and the completion of the transaction
- Preparation of sophisticated estate plans, including the use of split-interest trusts to accomplish the client’s objectives

Education

- J.D., University of Wisconsin, *cum laude*, 1982
- B.B.A., University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, 1979

Bar Admission

- Minnesota, 1983
- Wisconsin, 1982

Professional Certifications, Awards and Designations

- Rated "AV" (highest rating) by Martindale Hubbell Legal Directory

Professional Activities and Memberships

- District IV Ethics Committee, Member (1993-1999)
- Hennepin County Bar Association, Member
- Minnesota State Bar Association, Member
- Wisconsin State Bar Association, Member

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