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### SHAREHOLDER

Scott Isaacson is Chair of Kirton McConkie's International section. He advises domestic and foreign businesses and not-for-profit organizations regarding all aspects of international trade and business, with specific emphasis in Latin America. Mr. Isaacson previously served as International Legal Counsel for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, supervising all of the church's legal work in South America. As part of this position, he managed international real estate acquisitions and construction, complex litigation and international arbitration, international tax compliance for not-for-profit organizations, government relations, and legal implementation of new programs. On an ongoing bases, Mr. Isaacson makes presentations at international seminars held at places such as Chile, Argentina, and Mexico about legal matters related to non-profit and religious organizations.

### EXPERIENCE

Served as International Legal Counsel, Office of General Counsel, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, supervising all Church legal work in South America; managed international real estate acquisitions and construction, managed complex litigation and international arbitration, international tax and compliance for not-for-profit organizations, managed government relations, legal implementation of new programs, 1998-2004.

King & Isaacson, P.C., Salt Lake City, Utah, 1989-1998

Davis Graham & Stubbs, Salt Lake City, Utah, 1985-1989

Davis Graham & Stubbs, Denver, Colorado, 1981-1985

### HONORS & AWARDS

*Utah Legal Elite*: International (2009-2020)

### EDUCATION

Brigham Young University, J. Reuben Clark Law School, JD, *magna cum laude*, 1981

Edwin S. Hinckley Scholar

J. Reuben Clark Scholar designation (equivalent to Order of the Coif)

Law Review and Law Review Note and Comment Editor

Research Assistant for Dean Rex E. Lee; assisted in research and writing Dean Lee's book.

Brigham Young University, BA, English, *magna cum laude*, 1978

### ADMISSIONS & AFFILIATIONS

*Bar Admissions*: Utah 1985, Colorado 1981 (Inactive)

*Other Admissions*: Latin America Area Director for the Center for International Law and Religion Studies at Brigham Young University

Member of the Latin American Consortium for Religious Liberty (Consortio Latinoamericano de Libertad Religiosa)

Member, Board of Adjustment of Centerville, Utah, 2004

Member, Board of Governors of the Lincoln American International School of Buenos Aires, 1999-2003

Member, Utah State Procurement Appeals Board, 1997

Member then Chairman, Planning and Zoning Commission of Centerville, Utah, 1996-1998

Trustee and Legal Advisor to International Children's Choir School

### PRACTICE AREAS

CONSTRUCTION, SURETY & DESIGN PROFESSIONALS

INTERNATIONAL

FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT

INTERNATIONAL LITIGATION AND ARBITRATION

INTERNATIONAL LAW: TRADE AND TAXATION

EUROPEAN MARKETS

FIRST AMENDMENT AND RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

CORPORATE

REAL ESTATE

### INDUSTRIES

AGRIBUSINESS

DIRECT SALES & MULTI-LEVEL MARKETING

NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

### LANGUAGES

SPANISH

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## PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Legal Aspects of Temple Building: Interview with Scott Isaacson, *J. Reuben Clark Law Society Newsletter*, May 2014, Vol. VI, Issue III

Religion in Public Schools of the United States, International Seminar - The Right to Freedom of Belief, Santiago, Chile, October 2009

Religious Liberty: The Latin American Experiences, A Practical Perspective, International Religious Freedom Association - Conference in Santo Domingo-Dominican Republic, 2009

US Military Assistance and Religious Diversity, Annual Latin American Religious Liberty Consortium, Buenos Aires, Argentina, April 30, 2008

Civil Recognition of Religious Marriages in the United States: Anything goes, Colloquium of the Latin American Consortium for Religious Liberty - Annual Meeting 2007

Religion and the Media in the United States: "The Challenges and Opportunities of a Free Market" VI Colloquium of the Latin American Consortium for Religious Liberty, Rio de Janeiro, October, 2006

"Legal Recognition of Religious Associations and Churches and Their Relation to the State" V Colloquium of the Latin American Consortium for Religious Liberty, Mexico City, November 2005, Proceedings, p. 269.

"Religion and the Legal Traditions of Latin America: A Practical Perspective" 2005 International Conference for Law and Religion at Brigham Young University.

"Achieving Peace Through Respecting Freedom" published in *Fides et Libertas*, the Journal of the International Religious Liberty Association, 2005, p. 59 based on a presentation given at the Caribbean Religious Liberty Association conference in Trinidad, January 2005.

Presentation at the annual meeting of the Latin American Consortium of Religious Liberty, in Santiago Chile, August 2004

Participation in Panel: "Religion in the Public Sphere: The Reality in the United States," at the Latin American Consortium of Religious Liberty in Santiago, Chile, August 13, 2004.

"Advances in Religious Liberty in Peru," 2004 *BYU Law Review* 385-417, with Guillermo Garcia Montufar and Moises Arata Solis.

"A Spiritual Awakening in Latin America and the Role of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies at Brigham Young University," Presentation at the 15th Annual Conference of the International Society, David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies, Brigham Young University, April 5, 2004.

"A Practical Comparison of the Laws of Religion of Colombia and Chile," *The International Journal for Not-for-Profit Law*, Vol. 6, Iss.1, Sept. 2003.

"Preventive Law: A Personal Essay" *Utah Bar Journal*, Vol. 9, No. 8 (Oct. 1996).

"Guest Editorial" Opposing proposed pari-mutuel gambling law in Utah. *Deseret News*, June 4, 1992.