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ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY

Theo Smith is a member of the firm's Corporate section, where he focuses on mergers and acquisitions, business contracts, entity formation, antitrust HSR filings, public securities SEC and FINRA compliance, corporate finance and private securities offerings, licensing, regulatory compliance, and corporate governance.

Mr. Smith is also a member of the firm's International section, where he focuses on EAR and ITAR export controls compliance, U.S. Treasury OFAC sanctions, imports, commercial trade agreements, foreign entity formation and governance, international manufacturing and licensing agreements, international regulatory compliance, and data privacy.

Mr. Smith currently serves on the Board of Governors of 47G and the Board of Directors of Stepping Stones International. He speaks Mandarin and has lived in Beijing and Taipei.

EXPERIENCE

Adjunct professor, Brigham Young University-Idaho, China International Relations and Geopolitics

Student practitioner, Kirkland & Ellis Corporate Clinic, where he drafted and negotiated contracts on behalf of Fortune 500 corporate legal departments

Legal extern, Commodity Futures Trading Commission — Division of Enforcement

Summer clerk, Uniform Law Commission — National Headquarters

Judicial extern clerk, The Honorable John Z. Lee, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

EDUCATION

University of Chicago Law School, JD

Capital Normal University, Beijing

Brigham Young University-Idaho, BA English - Literary Criticism (Minor: Chinese)

ADMISSIONS & AFFILIATIONS

Admissions: Idaho Supreme Court
Minnesota Supreme Court
Utah Supreme Court
U.S. District Court — District of Minnesota
U.S. District Court — District of Utah

Affiliations: University of Chicago Alumni Association
American Bar Association: Aerospace and Defense Industries, Export Controls and Economic Sanctions, and Mergers and Acquisitions Committees
Utah State Bar: Business Law, Corporate Counsel, and Securities Sections
Salt Lake County Bar Association
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PRACTICE AREAS

BUSINESS DISPUTES

BUSINESS FORMATION, STRUCTURE, AND EXIT STRATEGIES

CONTRACTS

CORPORATE

CYBERSECURITY AND DATA PRIVACY

EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

EQUIPMENT LEASING

EXPORT CONTROLS, SANCTIONS, AND COMPLIANCE

GENERAL COUNSEL SERVICES

INTERNATIONAL

LENDING AND FINANCE

MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS

PURCHASE AND SALE TRANSACTIONS

SECURITIES LAW

SHAREHOLDER DISPUTES

INDUSTRIES

HEALTHCARE

LANGUAGES

MANDARIN CHINESE

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CLERKSHIPS

Judicial extern clerk, Honorable John Z. Lee, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- Introduction to Export Licensing
Utah Aerospace and Defense Association, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2023
- ITAR/EAR Compliance Webinar
Utah Aerospace and Defense Association, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2023