

Paul R. Simons

Senior Counsel

Paul R. Simons is Senior Counsel in Clark Hill's Banking & Finance Practice Group. With an understanding of the complexity and variety of legal issues faced by business owners today, Paul's multidisciplinary approach allows him to sensibly and effectively navigate a wide range of business transactions. He stresses sensible solutions to business legal issues to minimize risk yet accomplish business objectives.

Paul's clients operate in the traditional middle market and he provides sensible advice in the areas of commercial finance, mergers and acquisitions, employee benefits, and related taxation matters.

Paul represents banks, mezzanine lenders, private equity firms, borrowers and other lenders in commercial financing transactions, including commercial and industrial credit facilities, mezzanine credit facilities, ESOP loan transactions, and asset-based financings. He adds value and efficiency to any transaction with a sensible and organized approach.

Paul represents business owners, privately held companies and fiduciaries with transactions involving employee stock ownership plans (ESOPs). He also represents such clients in other acquisition and disposition transactions, including mergers, asset and stock acquisitions and dispositions, and leveraged buyouts across a broad spectrum of industries, including manufacturing, distribution, defense, and service industries.

Presentations

- "ESOP 101: What, Why, How," June 2, 2020.

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State Bar Licenses

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Court Admissions

U.S. District Ct., N.D. of Illinois