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Kenneth M. Niesman

Partner/Retired

Ken Niesman represents foreign and domestic businesses in mergers and acquisitions, financings and contract negotiations, especially in the heavy equipment manufacturing/distribution, chemical and database marketing sectors. In addition, Ken serves as United States counsel for several Nordic corporate entities. He has extensive experience with Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code, as well as disposition of businesses, employee screening, distribution and dealership warranties and arrangements. In addition, Ken is on the advisory board of Carroll Co., a leading manufacturer of private branded cleaning and maintenance chemicals.

While most of Ken's transactional work is on behalf of Texas-headquartered entities, he represents several foreign businesses in their United States activities. Ken has developed strong relationships with the Finnish government, along with the nation's businesses. Regardless of their nationality, clients value his practical approach and acumen for spotting issues and trends.

Awards and Recognition

- Recognized, AV® Preeminent™ 5.0 out of 5 Peer Review Rated, Martindale-Hubbell® PEER REVIEW RATINGS™

Affiliations

- Member, State Bar of Texas
- Member, American Bar Association
- Member, Dallas Bar Association
- Fellow, Texas Bar Foundation

Community Involvement

- Honorary Consul for Finland, Northern Texas and State of Oklahoma
- Sponsor, Finland Independence Day Celebration, Dallas

- Board Member and Speaker, Finnish American Business Guild
- Former Member, Board of Trustees, Bishop Lynch High School
- Former Member, Board of Trustees, St. John’s Episcopal School
- Former Board Member, Reading & Radio Resource Inc.

Education

- Texas Tech University School of Law (J.D., with honors, 1976)
- Texas Tech University (B.B.A., 1972)

Admissions

- Texas (1976)