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OVERVIEW

A former entrepreneur, JP draws on personal experience when counseling clients in corporate law, mergers and acquisitions, and securities matters.

While working as a partner in his commercial plumbing installation business, JP experienced firsthand the challenging legal issues that small-business owners face during the startup process. To learn the managerial skills necessary to fulfill his role and guide his company to greater growth and profitability, JP returned to school to pursue an undergraduate degree in business and entrepreneurial management.

JP then earned a law degree with the goal of helping clients obtain reliable guidance from an attorney with practical experience. He advises businesses of all sizes on how best to achieve their business objectives.

JP continues to actively maintain his journeyman plumbing license in an effort to stay connected with the industry that taught him the significance of hard work.

Industries

Healthcare
Life Sciences
Education

Services

Corporate
Mergers & Acquisitions
Securities & Corporate Governance

Recognition

- Missouri Bar Pro Bono Wall of Fame, 2018-2019, 2021

Education

- J.D., University of Arkansas School of Law
 - *magna cum laude*
 - *Arkansas Law Review*, Note and Comment Editor
- B.S., Brigham Young University–Idaho
 - Business Management - Entrepreneurial Management
 - *summa cum laude*

Admissions

- Missouri
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri

Community Leadership

JP works with Legal Services of Southern Missouri, where he finds great satisfaction in helping people with financial barriers who otherwise would have limited or no access to legal help. JP also teaches a weekly Sunday school lesson for members and visitors of the local ministry he attends.