

## Robert G. Gerber

Managing Partner

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### OVERVIEW

Robert ("Bobby") is the managing partner of the firm and a member of its Executive Committee. A partner in the Corporate & Securities practice group, he focuses on counseling private companies on transactional and governance matters impacting their operations around the world, including mergers and acquisitions, private equity investments, joint venture transactions, divestitures, corporate restructurings and succession planning.

Bobby is also a strategic advisor to wealthy families and entrepreneurs concerning critical business decisions and personal matters including the maximizing of revenues and preserving personal wealth. He also counsels clients on the transition of business leadership and wealth across generations. Serving a diverse range of client needs including estate planning, investment advice, financing, tax planning, and charitable endeavors, Bobby consistently finds innovative ways to ensure clients' business interests and personal lives are protected at every level.

Committed to serving his community, he is a member of the Development Committee of Chicago Legal Aid Clinic, serves on the Alumni Board of the College of Arts & Sciences of Indiana University and the the Alumni Board of the Borns Jewish Studies Program at Indiana University. He is on the Board of Regents of Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and is Vice President of the American Friends of Hebrew University's Midwest Board. Additionally, he serves as a member of the Governing Commission of the Hillels of Illinois.

Bobby is a member of the American Bar Association and the Chicago Bar Association. While in law school, he was executive editor of the John Marshall Law Review and was a member of the Order of John Marshall.



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### EDUCATION

The John Marshall Law School (J.D., 1998), *cum laude*

Indiana University Bloomington (B.A., 1994)

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### RELATED SERVICES

Business  
Corporate & Securities  
Mergers & Acquisitions  
Private Equity & Venture Capital  
Private Wealth  
Estate Planning  
Business and Investment Structuring  
Intergenerational Wealth  
Family Office Services  
Private Aviation



Bobby has been listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* since 2016 in the area of Corporate Law.

## EXPERIENCE

- Represented a client in the payment card industry in connection with the sale of its \$100 million dollar merchant processing portfolio.
- Acting as outside general counsel for a second generation family owned business with its growth and succession planning, including a series of strategic acquisitions allowing the company to grow to over \$1.5 billion in revenue.
- Represented a family in the establishment of a family office continue to work with the family with respect to estate planning, personal investments, including acquisition of real estate, a motor yacht, a fractional interest in an aircraft and matters relating to their domestic employees.
- Represented a second generation shareholder of a family owned business in a shareholder dispute which ultimately resulting in the shareholder obtaining control of the board and selling the business.
- Represented a client in the formation of a \$75 million joint venture and subsequent buyout of his business partner.
- Represented RAK Ceramics (P.S.C.), the world's largest manufacturer and distributor of ceramic and porcelain tile and other ceramic products, in connection with multiple private label manufacturing and distribution transactions with business partners in North America, Europe and Asia.
- Represent RAK Ceramics (P.S.C.) in connection with its trademark prosecution and enforcement in over 125 countries worldwide.

## RECOGNITIONS

- *The Legal 500 United States*, recommended in "M&A/Corporate & Commercial: M&A: Middle-market (sub-\$500 million)" since 2020
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, recommended in "Corporate Law" since 2016

## INSIGHTS

### 06.10.21 Firm News

The Legal 500 United States 2021 Edition Recommends Four Neal Gerber Eisenberg Practices and 15 Attorneys

### 06.03.21 In The Media

Bobby Gerber Interviewed by Law.com on Becoming Managing Partner

### 05.06.21 Firm News

Neal Gerber Eisenberg Named Legal Team of the Year by the *Family Wealth Report Awards*



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**04.14.21 In The Media**

Bobby Gerber Interviewed by Law360 on New Managing Partner Role

**04.08.21 Firm News**

NGE Announces New Managing Partner

**01.21.21 Publication**

Client Alert: Newly Enacted Corporate Transparency Act of 2019 Introduces Significant New Reporting

**08.20.20 Firm News**

46 Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Included in 2021 Best Lawyers

**08.05.20 Publication**

SBA Releases FAQ on PPP Loan Forgiveness

**08.05.20 Publication**

PPP Loan Deadline Is August 8, EIDL Loans Still Available

**07.06.20 Publication**

PPP Extended to August; SBA Accepting New Applications for Economic Injury Disaster Loans and Advances

**06.15.20 Firm News**

The Legal 500 United States 2020 Edition Recommends Five Neal Gerber Eisenberg Practices and 21 Attorneys

**06.10.20 Publication**

Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act and Other Updates to the Paycheck Protection Program

**05.29.20 In The Media**

Bobby Gerber and David Schmidt Interviewed by WBBM-AM on Manufacturing PPE

**05.21.20 Publication**

Interim Final Rule on Inclusion of Foreign Employees in Determining PPP Eligibility and Related Safe Harbor

**05.18.20 Publication**

PPP Loan Repayment and Safe Harbor Checklist

**05.18.20 Publication**

SBA Releases PPP Loan Forgiveness Application

**05.14.20 Publication**

Updated PPP Loan FAQ from U.S. Treasury Extends Safe Harbor to Repay PPP Loans to May 18, 2020

**05.13.20 Publication**

Updated PPP Loan FAQ from the U.S. Treasury Department with Guidance on Its Review of the Certification Regarding the Necessity of the Loan

**05.07.20 Publication**

Updated PPP Loan FAQ from U.S. Treasury, Safe Harbor to Repay Loans Extended to May 14, Employee Count Clarified to Include Foreign Employees



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**05.04.20 Publication**

IRS Asserts That Business Expenses Paid with Forgiven Paycheck Protection Program Loans Are Not Deductible

**05.01.20 Publication**

SBA Issues Interim Final Rule Capping Aggregate PPP Loan Amounts at \$20M for Single Corporate Groups

**04.30.20 Publication**

So You Were Approved for a Paycheck Protection Program Loan—Now What?

**04.29.20 Publication**

PPP Loan FAQ from the U.S. Treasury Department

**03.27.20 Publication**

Help Available: Learn More about Federal, State and Local Relief Funds for Businesses

**11.11.19 In The Media**

Robert Gerber Participates in *Crain's* Private Companies Roundtable

**08.15.19 Firm News**

45 Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Included in 2020 Best Lawyers

**08.15.18 Firm News**

45 Neal Gerber Eisenberg Attorneys Included in 2019 Best Lawyers

## ADMISSIONS

### Bar Admissions

- Illinois