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OVERVIEW

Christopher Lokken is a partner and a member of the Asset Management and Investment Funds practice group. His practice focuses on the formation and operation of private investment funds and investment management firms, and counseling investment advisers on a broad range of regulatory and compliance matters.

Chris has close to 25 years of experience advising clients on the structuring, formation, marketing and operation of private investment funds, feeder fund and managed account programs, and other alternative investment vehicles for investment advisers ranging from start-ups to global financial institutions. Chris also regularly assists alternative asset managers in structuring their investment advisory firms, SEC and CFTC registration, employee profit participation programs, and provides ongoing advice on a broad range of corporate, securities, derivatives, and regulatory matters. Chris also maintains a significant practice representing both fund managers and institutional financial firms in negotiating placement agency agreements.

Chris' principal areas of practice include:

- Private pooled investment fund formation across the liquidity spectrum, including hedge funds, private equity funds, hybrid funds, co-investment funds, multi-manager funds, funds of funds, and commodity pools
- Hedge fund and private equity feeder funds and feeder fund platforms
- Managed account platforms
- Fund restructurings and workouts
- Individual managed accounts, single investor funds, and special purpose funds
- Investment management company formation and restructuring, including the negotiation and drafting of organizational documents addressing management and control, revenue sharing arrangements, employee compensation plans, and succession issues
- Placement agreements involving private funds and registered investment companies
- Seed capital arrangements

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Chris was a partner in the Chicago office of another leading global law firm.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Recognized in IFLR1000 as a "Rising Star" for Investment Funds in the United States

EDUCATION

- J.D., Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, 1999
- M.A., The University of Chicago, 1996
- B.A., Indiana University, 1993

ADMISSIONS

Bar of Illinois

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

11 November 2023, Asset Management and Investment Funds Fall Conferences - San Francisco

NEWS & EVENTS

26 June 2023, K&L Gates Strengthens Asset Management and Investment Funds Practice with Chicago Partner Addition

AREAS OF FOCUS

Asset Management and Investment Funds