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Education

University of Pittsburgh School of Law, Juris Doctor Temple University, Bachelor of Business Administration

Bar Admissions

Pennsylvania

Biography

Samuel ("Sam") DeStefano is a dedicated <u>business and corporate</u> attorney with a strong focus on serving closely held businesses and their leadership teams across a wide range of industries, as well as real estate transactions, including purchases, sales, leasing, and financing. Sam works with and advises clients on various matters and transactions throughout the business lifecycle including business formation, ownership structure, corporate governance, investment opportunities, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, employment, service and contractor agreements, and succession planning. He is well-versed in drafting and negotiating complex commercial agreements and regularly guides clients through the due diligence and regulatory compliance process, including licensing with state and local agencies.

Before joining AMM, Sam practiced at a firm in Northeastern Pennsylvania, handling corporate and commercial transactions for a variety of clients ranging from startups to established companies and nonprofit organizations. Throughout his practice, he has drafted a wide array of agreements—ranging from shareholder, limited partnership and operating agreements, to asset purchase, stock purchase, membership interest purchase and award agreements. Sam has prepared an array of financing agreements and instruments, including promissory notes, mortgages, and security agreements, as well as, license agreements, residential and commercial leases, and estate planning instruments for business succession planning.

Known for his meticulous approach and commitment to client service, he continues to build a practice rooted in trust and strategic counsel with his clients' short-term and long-term business goals always in mind.

Sam earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law, where he was a Dean's Scholarship recipient and served as a Legal Writing Teaching Assistant and Associate Editor of the *Pittsburgh Tax Review*. He received his Bachelor of Business Administration, *magna cum laude*, from Temple University.

In his free time, Sam enjoys golf, running, reading history, and is an avid Philadelphia sports fan, mainly, the Philadelphia Eagles.

Professional Memberships

Bucks County Bar Association Pennsylvania Bar Association

Honors, Awards

Dean's Scholarship Recipient (2019 - 2021) Associate Editor – Pittsburgh Tax Review