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## **EDUCATION**

Roger Williams School of Law (J.D. 2013)

Pennsylvania State University (B.S. Business Management 2010)

# PRACTICE AREAS

**Business Law** 

**Employment Law** 

Intellectual Property & Technology Law

Mergers & Acquisitions

Real Estate & Land Use

# BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Rhode Island (2018)

Massachusetts (2013)

Pennsylvania (2013)

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# SAMUEL G. ECKEL, PARTNER

# **OVERVIEW**

Samuel Eckel is active as part of the business law and M&A team.

He has worked on several high value transactions with consideration up to \$150,000,000 for clients that span industries including manufacturing, solar power and medical. In addition, Sam represents the firm's clients in all general corporate matters including contract negotiations, corporate reorganizations and real estate transactions.

Recently, he spearheaded a sell-side transaction where the firm represented the shareholders of a leading technology provider to school systems around the US, negotiating and preparing all deal documentation and advising the shareholders throughout the process. The transaction involved complicated tax matters as well as a pre-closing tax free reorganization.

Before joining Duffy & Sweeney, Sam worked as a commercial lease administration analyst for Jones Lang LaSalle, a leading financial and professional services firm that specializes in commercial real estate services and investment management worldwide. Sam was also a contract attorney at Morgan, Lewis & Bockius in the Philadelphia office and completed internships for the Rhode Island Center for Law and Public Policy, and the Office of the Attorney General in Philadelphia.

## COMMUNITY

Samuel Eckel was appointed to the board of directors for the South County Youth Soccer Club, a volunteer organization dedicated to promoting and developing youth soccer in southern Rhode Island.

## RECOGNITION

Sam Eckel was recognized by Super Lawyers as a Rising Star in 2021, 2022 and 2023 in the practice area of Business/Corporate. He was also included in "Ones to Watch" by Best Lawyers for 2024 in the practice areas of Business Organizations, Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law, Corporate Law, and Mergers and Acquisitions Law.



## PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

Sam participated with Mike Sweeney in an event spearheaded by Jamie Hilton of UBS/The Hilton Group and colleagues from Carter Morse & Goodrich for the Business Owner Webinar Series. Each of the webinars in the three-part series equipped attendees with the latest planning ideas and considerations for mitigating taxes, merger and acquisition best practices to be mindful of their short-term and long-term exit strategy, and how to get the best outcome when an offer is made to buy a business.

He also co-authored the chapter on employment agreements in *A Practical Guide to Employment Law in Rhode Island* published by the MCLE New England (2016).