

# John W. Tanselle

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## PARTNER

### Overview

In the banking industry John is the go-to lawyer for business counsel. Co-chair of the firm's Banking & Finance Service Group, he has dedicated more than 40 years to serving financial institutions. John's understanding of the financial industry is the reason clients seek him out for business advice and rely on him for legal counsel. On more than one occasion he has helped corporate boards of financial institutions with strategic planning.

John's clients include a wide array of financial organizations, including bank holding companies, savings and loan companies, banks and savings institutions. He assists with regulatory matters, share purchases, debt issuances, self-tender offers, corporate governance matters, strategic matters, mergers and acquisitions, and both the establishment and closing of branches. He also assists with shareholder matters, including communication with shareholders, proxy solicitations, annual meeting matters and special meeting matters.

### Experience

Advise Multiple Regional Bank Holding Companies and their Subsidiary Financial Institutions on all Aspects of their Operations

Assisted an Indiana Bank Holding Company and its Subsidiary in its Conversion from a "C" Corporation to a "S" Corporation

Represented a Publicly Traded Financial Institution in a \$7.5 Million Tender Offer to Repurchase its Outstanding Shares

### Membership & Involvement

- Amundsen Davis Executive Committee
- Distinguished Fellow: Indianapolis Bar Foundation

### SERVICES

Banking & Finance  
Corporate & Securities  
Corporate Governance  
Cryptocurrency, Blockchain & FinTech  
Mergers & Acquisitions  
Outside General Counsel  
Securities & Capital Markets

### EDUCATION

Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, J.D., 1981, *magna cum laude*

Indiana University, B.S., 1978, *summa cum laude*

### ADMISSIONS

Indiana

- Member: Indianapolis Bar Association; Indiana State Bar Association; American Bar Association; Indiana Bankers Association
- Former Trustee: Methodist Health Foundation; Christian Theological Seminary

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### Honors

- Selected to "Who's Who in Banking" by the Indianapolis Business Journal
- Named a "Leader in Banking Excellence" by the Indiana Bankers Association in 2020
- Selected to Best Lawyers® in Financial Services Regulation Law "Lawyer of the Year" in Indianapolis: 2022, 2024
- Selected to Best Lawyers® in Banking and Finance Law "Lawyer of the Year" in Indianapolis: 2014, 2024
- Selected to *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Banking and Finance Law: 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020; 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
- Selected to *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Financial Services Regulation Law: 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020; 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
- Selected to *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Corporate Law: 2023, 2024, 2025
- Selected to *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Mergers and Acquisitions Law: 2023, 2024, 2025
- Selected to the Indiana Super Lawyers list: 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020
- Selected to "40 Under 40" by the Indianapolis Business Journal

### Firm News

100 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized by Best Lawyers® in 2025 in America  
Firm News, August 15, 2024

82 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized by Best Lawyers® in 2024 in America  
Firm News, August 17, 2023

37 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers in America*© 2023  
Firm News, August 18, 2022

29 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers in America*© 2022  
Firm News, August 19, 2021

John Tanselle Named Leader in Banking Excellence by the Indiana Bankers  
Association  
*Indiana Bankers Association*, August 21, 2020

25 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Recognized in *Best Lawyers in America*© 2021  
Firm News, August 20, 2020

7 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2020 Indiana Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists  
*Amundsen Davis*, February 14, 2020

15 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers in America*© 2020  
Firm News, August 15, 2019

5 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2019 Indiana Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists  
Firm News, January 31, 2019

12 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included in *Best Lawyers in America*© 2019  
Firm News, August 15, 2018

5 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2018 Indiana Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists  
Firm News, February 20, 2018

John Tanselle Honored as Distinguished Fellow by the Indianapolis Bar Foundation  
November 21, 2017

U.S. News & World Report – Best Lawyers® “Best Law Firms” 2018  
Firm News, November 1, 2017

9 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included in *Best Lawyers in America*© 2018  
Firm News, August 15, 2017

4 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2017 Indiana Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists  
Firm News, February 2017

U.S. News – Best Lawyers® “Best Law Firms” 2017  
Firm News

5 Attorneys Join Our Indianapolis Office  
Firm News, September 2016

Six Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included in *Best Lawyers in America*© 2017  
Firm News, August 15, 2016

Amundsen Davis Recognized by Indiana Bankers Association as Diamond Associate Member  
Firm News, May 10, 2016

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3 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2016 Indiana Super Lawyers and 2016 Indiana Rising Stars Lists  
Firm News, February 12, 2016

### In the Media

John Tanselle Discusses Indiana's Mergers & Acquisitions Market in *The Indiana Lawyer*

Indianapolis Business Journal Quotes John Tanselle on Busey Bank Lawsuit

John Tanselle Quoted in the Indianapolis Business Journal Discussing PPP Loans and Indiana-Based Financial Institutions

### Alerts

CARES Act Stimulus Package Summary

Top Recommendations for Lenders During the COVID-19 Pandemic

A Lesson On Good Corporate Governance?

### Speaking Engagements

Strategic Capital Raising: Essential Considerations and Key Insights for Boards  
Speaking Engagement, Indiana Banks Association, 2024 IBA Annual Convention;  
French Lick, IN, September 8, 2024 - September 10, 2024

Ideas and Opportunities for Investment in Renewable Energy  
Speaking Engagement, Indiana Bankers Association Annual Convention; French  
Lick, IN, September 12, 2022

More Regulation and Opportunities for Companies and Banking: What  
Businesses Can Expect from the Biden Administration  
Event, Amundsen Davis, Webcast, March 31, 2021

You Received Your PPP Loan or Your Application is in Process: *What You Must Do Now*  
Event, Amundsen Davis, Webcast, April 28, 2020

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act): How Employers  
Can Take Advantage  
Speaking Engagement, Illinois Manufacturers' Association, Webcast, April 2, 2020

Overview of Banking Law and Regulation - Federal and State  
Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum; Indianapolis, IN, October 5, 2017

Capital and Expansion: Alternatives, Objectives and Strategies  
Indiana Bankers Association, May 4, 2016

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Need Talent? Got Talent? Tools to Attract and Retain Your Key People  
Seminar, April 27, 2016

### Blog Posts

Has Spring Finally Arrived for Indiana Financial Institutions and their Deposit  
Accounts?

*Banking Brief: Financial Services Insights*, March 15, 2024

Silence is *Not* Always Golden: Land v. IU Credit Union

*Banking Brief: Financial Services Insights*, November 9, 2023

Silicon Valley Bank and its Progeny

*Banking Brief: Financial Services Insights*, March 17, 2023

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