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## EXPERTISE

Banking & Lending, Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights, Finance, and Mergers & Acquisitions

## EDUCATION

Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, J.D., 1973

The Citadel, B.A., 1968

## ADMITTED IN

Colorado

Ted Sikora has more than 30 years experience in all aspects of banking and financial institutions law. His practice has emphasized the structuring and documenting of complex credit facilities. He represents a number of the largest banks in the U.S. in letter of credit enhanced bond transactions, real estate lending, and syndicated credits. In addition, he advises institutional lenders on the restructuring and collection of troubled loans.

Mr. Sikora's broad banking practice has also focused on bank mergers and acquisitions, as well as a wide range of bank regulatory issues. He has negotiated and documented the acquisition of several banks and bank holding companies. In addition, Mr. Sikora has broad experience in bank regulatory issues, including the expansion of bank powers into the securities and insurance fields, consumer credit regulation, and bank payment systems issues.

In response to the adverse impact of the weak economy on lenders, Mr. Sikora has devoted a significant amount of time providing advice to lenders on restructuring troubled loans, workouts, and the collection loans. He regularly represents the interests of lenders in bankruptcy court. He has kept abreast of recent banking legislation, such as the Emergency Economic Stability Act of 2008, American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, and Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. His practice includes advising lenders on issues raised by bank examiners.

Prior to joining Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP, Mr. Sikora served as senior vice president and general counsel of Bank One, Colorado, N.A. He held managerial positions in the legal department of Bank One Corporation or its subsidiaries for more than 12 years. Before joining Bank One Corporation Mr. Sikora practiced in the corporate legal departments of one of the nation's largest insurers and publicly traded manufacturing firms. There, his practice focused on regulatory, securities, and general corporate matters.

Mr. Sikora has served on the Government Affairs Committee of the Colorado Bankers Association and the Government Relations Council of the American Bankers Association. He also serves as outside general counsel to a \$300 million asset Colorado bank and bank holding company.