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PRACTICES

Executive
Compensation/Employee
Benefits
Master Limited
Partnerships (MLPs)
Tax

EDUCATION

LLM, 1982, Taxation,
New York University
JD, 1981, Emory
University
BA, 1978, *magna cum
laude*, University of
Connecticut

ADMISSIONS

Texas 1981
New York 1986
Connecticut 1988

Chris counsels clients in all aspects of executive compensation, section 409A compliance, stock options, retirement plans, ERISA fiduciary matters, non-qualified deferred compensation plans and welfare arrangements. He has vast experience in 401(k) plans, including plan design, compliance and implementation, both from a legal and a consulting perspective. He has also structured investment vehicles utilizing pension fund investors (ERISA plan asset rules) and negotiated employee benefit matters in corporate acquisitions and dispositions.

In addition, Chris has represented institutional trustees, dealt with the Internal Revenue Service and the Department of Labor, and represented clients in ERISA litigation. He also advises clients with respect to executive compensation matters, including compliance with Section 162(m) deduction limitations and Section 280G golden parachute issues.

PUBLICATIONS

- Recent SEC Staff Comments Challenge Reporting of Equity Compensation (March 7, 2012)

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Employee Benefits Law (2009-2012)

PRESS RELEASES

- 54 Andrews Kurth Lawyers Named Best Lawyers in America 2012 (September 22, 2011)
- Andrews Kurth Recognized Twice for Deal of the Year in M&A Atlas Awards (March 22, 2011)
- Andrews Kurth Represents GM in "Deal of the Year" (March 15, 2011)
- Andrews Kurth Represents Underwriters in Kinder Morgan IPO (February 11, 2011)
- 49 Andrews Kurth Lawyers Named Best Lawyers in America 2011 (August 16, 2010)
- 46 Andrews Kurth Lawyers Named Best Lawyers in America 2010 (August 10, 2009)
- Chris Fenelon Joins Andrews Kurth (July 26, 2006)