

# Bob Hannon

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Bob's practice focuses on commercial finance transactions, representing both borrowers and lenders in a variety of industry sectors, including without limitation commercial real estate, healthcare, and employee stock ownership plans. In connection with the foregoing, Bob has extensive experience with syndications and participations, private equity acquisitions, and mezzanine loans and other subordinate debt vehicles. Though his practice focuses primarily on front-end commercial finance transactions, Bob also has extensive pre-bankruptcy special asset experience.

## Education

- Vanderbilt Law School (J.D., 1998)
  - Law Review; Author of "A Return to the True Intent of IDEA – Self Sufficiency"
- Vanderbilt University (B.A., 1993)
  - English and Business Administration

## Bar Admissions

- Tennessee

## Recognition

- Ranked in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, Banking & Finance, Tennessee, 2013-2025
- Selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers in America*® for Banking and Finance Law, 2020-2026
- *Martindale-Hubbell*® AV Preeminent Rated

## Community

- McNeilly Center for Children - Middle Tennessee's largest early childhood education provider with multiple sites in East Nashville; roles included Board Chair, Board Vice-Chair, and Board Secretary
- Belcourt Theatre - A nonprofit theatre located in the Hillsboro Village neighborhood of

## Capabilities

- Commercial Lending
- Employee Stock Ownership Plans
- Finance
- Health Care Finance
- Private Equity
- Real Estate Finance
- Senior Housing & Long Term Care

Nashville; roles included Membership Committee Chair and Education Committee Chair

- Valor Collegiate Academies - A charter school organization in South Nashville comprised of two middle schools and a high school serving approximately 2,000 students with a focus on rigorous academics, diversity, and social emotional learning; roles included Founding Board Member; Board Chair, Board Secretary, and Facilities and Finance Committee Chair

## Matters

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### Health Care Lending

- Represented agent bank in connection with \$130 million multi-jurisdictional syndicated loan acquiring 14 senior living facilities.
- Represented agent bank in connection with \$180 million multi-jurisdictional syndicated loan to a behavioral health company.
- Represented agent bank in connection with \$27.5 million syndicated loan to a health care company providing nursing, home health and pharmacy services.
- Represented lender in connection with a \$41.4 million single bank loan to finance the acquisition of 10 medical office buildings in North Carolina.

### Commercial Real Estate

- Represented agent bank in connection with \$70 million construction loan to finance construction of a Hilton hotel with commercial development attached.
- Represented agent bank in connection with \$30 million multi-jurisdictional syndicated loan to finance construction of approximately 30 Dollar General stores

### Employee Stock Ownership Plans

- Represented lender in connection with a \$75 million single bank ESOP loan to a Georgia construction company.
- Represented lender in connection with a \$45 million single bank ESOP loan to a Tennessee smelting company.

## Publications

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November 29, 2023

**The 'wait and see' approach: Why Nashville banks are cautious on commercial lending**

*Quoted, Nashville Business Journal*