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**Primary Practice Areas**

- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Corporations, Partnerships and Limited Liability Companies
- Contracts
- Health Care
- Real Estate
- Commercial Borrowing
- Technology & eCommerce

**Education**

- University of Tennessee, J.D., 1996
- Emory University, B.A., 1993

**Bar Admissions**

- Tennessee 1996

**Accolades**

- Listed in *Best Lawyers in America*® in Real Estate Law since 2021
- Listed in *Best Lawyers in America*® in Mergers and Acquisitions Law since 2022
- Listed in *Best Lawyers in America*® in Health Care Law since 2024
- Selected as a Top Attorney in *CityView* magazine in the areas of Business/Commercial Law, Contract Law, Corporate Law, and Health Care Law.

## **Nic Arning Biography**

Nic Arning is a member of the firm whose primary areas of practice include mergers and acquisitions, corporate law, business formation, contract drafting and negotiation, real estate, technology and eCommerce law, health care law and general business matters. He has also represented clients in a variety of business, commercial and contract disputes. Over the course of his career, Mr. Arning has assisted clients across a broad spectrum of industries in creating and organizing new entities, selling or acquiring businesses, and negotiating and drafting a wide variety of contracts relating to business relationships and operations.

Mr. Arning is a native of Knoxville, Tennessee. He received a B.A. in political science from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia in 1993. Mr. Arning obtained his J.D. from The University of Tennessee College of Law in 1996. Prior to joining Woolf McClane in 1999, Mr. Arning served as Law Clerk to the Honorable Charles D. Susano, Jr., Associate Judge of the Tennessee Court of Appeals, Eastern Section.

Mr. Arning is a member of both the Knoxville and Tennessee Bar Associations, as well as the Corporate Counsel, Business Law, and the Health Care Law Sections of the Tennessee Bar Association. Through the Knoxville Bar Association, he served for several years on both the Publications Committee and the Continuing Legal Education Committee. Mr. Arning also previously chaired the Attorney's Division for the United Way of Greater Knoxville's annual campaign. In 2012, he was inducted as a Fellow of the Knoxville Bar Foundation.

Mr. Arning is a long-time member of the Knoxville Bar Association's Hunger & Poverty Relief Committee, where he coordinates the Bar Association's participation in the Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee's Mobile Meals program, and actively participates in several other public service projects throughout the year. In 2019, he received the Knoxville Bar Association's "Law Through Liberty" award in recognition of his work with the Mobile Meals program.