Ben Wagoner

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Ben Wagoner is an associate in Ice Miller's Real Estate, Environmental & Energy Law (REEL) Group.

Prior to joining the firm, Ben was a business restructuring associate at a leading global law firm, where he executed in-court and out-of-court restructurings of sponsor-held companies.

He earned his juris doctor from Washington University in St. Louis School of Law as a Dean's Fellow, where he received the Richard Sher Award for Excellence in Mediation and Dispute Resolution. Ben earned his Bachelor of Science from Bradley University, where he graduated *summa cum laude* as a LaHood Scholar for the Study of American Government and competed for Bradley's Division I cross country and track and field teams.

Education

- Bradley University (B.S., *summa cum laude*, 2020)
  - Economics and Political Science
- Washington University in St. Louis School of Law (J.D., *Dean's Fellow*, 2024)

Admissions

- Illinois

Awards & Honors

- Richard Sher Award for Excellence in Mediation and Dispute Resolution
- LaHood Scholar for the Study of American Government

Services & Industries

- Real Estate

Key Matters

- Represented a leading manufacturer and seller of private label food products in its acquisition by a publicly listed company, resulting in the full satisfaction of approximately $815 million of funded debt obligations.

- Represented an iconic casual dining and sports entertainment chain and its affiliated debtors in their Chapter 11 cases, which involved the restructuring of approximately $380 million of funded debt and were the first whole business securitization filings of their kind.
- Represented a leading manufacturer and developer of orthopedic implant devices, surgical instruments, and AI-driven smart technologies for hospitals and physicians in a successful asset sale to an entity affiliated with a group of secured lenders through voluntary Chapter 11 proceedings, involving the restructuring of more than $350 million of prepetition debt and liabilities, securing approximately $160 million in debtor in possession credit financing, and addressing billions in alleged tort liabilities.