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### BIOGRAPHY

Craig Smetko is Of Counsel in the Corporate & Securities section at Kelly Hart & Hallman LLP. Prior to joining Kelly Hart, Mr. Smetko was Of Counsel in the Corporate Finance Department of Chapman and Cutler LLP. Preceding Chapman and Cutler LLP, Mr. Smetko served as Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary in the Law Department of BNSF Railway Company. He was employed at BNSF and its predecessor companies for over 25 years and handled the corporate secretary function for the Board of Directors of the publicly-traded parent company, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation, a Fortune 200 company, since 2001 as the Assistant Secretary. His other responsibilities included corporate governance and general corporate matters, finance, equipment acquisition and leasing, and a broad range of sophisticated contractual matters for the Strategic Sourcing and Technology Services departments, including software development agreements. Mr. Smetko also practiced in the real estate department at Rudnick & Wolfe (now DLA Piper) from 1984 to 1990.

### AFFILIATIONS AND HONORS

- Top Attorney in Corporate Counsel, *360 West* magazine, 2020
- Top Attorney in Aviation, Admiralty, Maritime, and Transportation Law, *360 West* magazine, 2019

### EDUCATION

- University of Michigan Law School, J.D., *cum laude*, 1978
- University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, B.A., *cum laude*, 1975

### ADMISSIONS

- State Bar of Texas, 2002
- State Bar of Illinois, 1978 (Retired)