

# JAMES C. WADDOUPS

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## Biography

James is an attorney, shareholder, director and officer with Fabian VanCott.

James practices in the areas of business, commercial and real estate transactions, with an emphasis on tax planning for those transactions. He acts as lead counsel in mergers and acquisitions, entity formations, complex entity structures, real estate transactions, debt and equity financing and other commercial deals. James assembles teams of attorneys from Fabian VanCott's different practice areas to handle complex transactions across a variety of industries and involving clients of every size. James also helps clients with tax structuring, estate planning and creating organizational structures for trusts, charitable foundations and nonprofit organizations. He graduated from the University of Utah College of Law and is admitted to practice in the state of Utah.

## Practice Areas

### BUSINESS & TRANSACTIONS

BUSINESS FORMATION,  
REORGANIZATION & EXITS

CAPITAL RAISING & OFFERINGS

CONTRACTS & AGREEMENTS

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE &  
SECURITIES COMPLIANCE

INCENTIVE EQUITY & COMPENSATION

MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS

TRANSACTIONAL & BUSINESS  
TAX PLANNING

VENTURE CAPITAL & START-UPS

ASSET PROTECTION PLANNING

FEDERAL, STATE &  
INTERNATIONAL TAXATION

TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS  
& CHARITABLE PLANNING

TRANSACTIONAL & BUSINESS  
TAX PLANNING

## Professional History

- Shareholder, Board Director and officer, Fabian VanCott
- Member, the Utah State Bar and American Bar Association
- Admitted to Utah State Bar, 2002; U.S. District Court for the District of Utah, 2002



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## Education

J.D., University of Utah, College of Law, 2002; Note and Comment Editor, 2001-2002, Staff Member, 2000-2001, Journal of Land, Resources, and Environmental Law; Appellate Advocacy Team Member, 2001-2002, Fordham Securities Law Competition, 2002; Member, Phi Delta Phi Legal Society

B.A., American Studies, Brigham Young University, 1998

## Publications and Presentations

- Published: Federal Reserved Water Rights Under the Wilderness Act: "Is it Finally Here to Stay?" 20 J. Land Resources & Env't. L. 335, 2000
- Presenter, "Red Flag Tax Issues," CLE, 2008
- Presenter, "Common Ground on Corporate and Real Property Transactions," CLE, 2007
- Presenter, "Conflicts of Interest (Ethics): Overview of the Ethical Considerations of Sarbanes Oxley and Other Trends," CLE, 2005

## Community Service

- Guest Lecturer, S.J. Quinney College of Law, "Non-profits and Public Charities," 2007, and "Choice of Entity," 2008

## Peer Recognition

- Recognized by Utah Business Magazine as one of their 2013 40 under 40 business professional leaders to watch who are putting a fresh foot forward in the business world
- Recognized by Super Lawyers magazine as a "Mountain States Rising Star" in Business & Corporate Law
- Recognized by Utah Business magazine as a "Legal Elite" in the field of Tax Law
- Recognized by Utah Business magazine as a "Legal Elite" in Business & Corporate Law
- Elected by Fabian VanCott shareholders to the Board of Directors 2009-2022