



**A results-driven attorney and natural leader, Ken Isley balances his vast domestic and international experience – as an executive with a Fortune 100 multinational chemical and agribusiness company and as the leader of a U.S. federal government agency – with his common-sense approach to helping his clients achieve their objectives.**

Ken advises agribusiness and other companies of virtually all sizes on strategic and corporate matters related to governance, mergers, acquisitions, joint ventures and financial transactions. He assists his clients with corporate and regulatory compliance, communications, crisis management, and international trade. Ken is also co-chair of the firm's Agriculture and Food Practice Group.

Ken spent most of his career with Dow, where his key roles included being the head of Corporate and Financial Law; head of Litigation, Regulatory and Operations; head of Latin America Legal; and vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary of the company's agricultural subsidiary, Dow AgroSciences.

During his time as administrator of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Foreign Agriculture Service (FAS) and chairman of the USDA's Intra-Departmental Coordination on International Affairs, Ken gained extensive knowledge and skills in leading the agency in obtaining market access across the world for U.S. agricultural and food products; supporting the United States Trade Representative (USTR) in the negotiation and enforcement of billions of dollars' worth of export trade agreements and implementing multibillion-dollar programs for trade promotion, trade tariff mitigation, agricultural development and international food assistance. He also led the FAS agency reorganization and successfully navigated it through global agricultural trade disruptions, a lengthy government shutdown, and the COVID-19 global pandemic.

Prior to joining the firm, Ken was executive vice president, chief legal officer and corporate secretary for Intelinair, Inc., where he advised on and assisted with developing and implementing the company's strategic plans;

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### EDUCATION

Indiana University, Graduate School of Business, Indiana Partnership for Management Development, 1996

University of Iowa College of Law, (J.D.), with distinction, 1988

Iowa State University, (College of Agriculture, B.S.), 1984

### LANGUAGES

English

### PRACTICES

Corporate

Mergers and Acquisitions and Private Equity

### INDUSTRIES

Agriculture and Food

Government and Public Finance

relocating its corporate headquarters to Indianapolis; negotiating and executing an EDGE agreement with the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC); and updating corporate governance, commercial and administrative documentation, structures and processes.

In his professional endeavors and beyond, Ken is passionate about organizational performance and leadership development.

## **Professional and Community Involvement**

Education foundation board director, Alpha Gamma Rho National Fraternity

Legal counsel & ex-officio board director, Meals on Wheels of Hendricks County, IN

Member and past board member, Indy Chamber

Past member, Indiana State Bar Association

Past member, American Corporate Counsel Association

Former general counsel, Alpha Gamma Rho National Fraternity

Past board member, BioCrossroads

Past board and executive committee member, Starfish Initiative

Member, Zionsville Fellowship Church

## **Honors**

Indiana Lawyer, Leadership in Law, Distinguished Barrister, 2017

Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity Eta Chapter, Alumni Achievement Award, 2013