



# STOEL RIVES LLP

Leading Law Firm Confident about Latest Expansion

**Stoel Rives LLP — a regional, U.S. law firm** with a full suite of transactional and litigation solutions for U.S. and international clients — represents businesses at all stages, from start-ups to Fortune 500 companies, as well as public entities. Nationally ranked in multiple categories, the firm continues to expand its presence and practice groups throughout California to provide even more service to our region.

Partner Christopher L. Russell is a key component in the expansion, having recently joined the firm's Sacramento team. With more than 20 years in corporate law practice, Russell's knowledge of the region and local market experience add a new dimension to the firm's mix of statewide services. Together, the firm's California offices in Sacramento, San Francisco, San Diego and Truckee represent its fourth largest market presence after Oregon, Washington and Utah. Golden State attorneys focus on corporate, energy, litigation, employment, land use and environmental work.

"My practice focuses more on the transactional and corporate governance issues, so I can help the firm offer those services locally," says Russell. "I work with emerging growth companies, especially in the tech industries, assisting them with all aspects of corporate issues, including formation, investment, licensing and IP issues, all the way through the exit, which could be a merger and acquisition or a public offering."

Russell has worked for decades with clients in the Sacramento region, so this move multiplies what he can offer to his existing clients. "Stoel Rives has tremendous corporate resources and niche industry teams that I can draw upon, not just locally but throughout the whole firm of 400 lawyers," he adds.

"I've lived in the Sacramento area for 30 years," says Russell, "and am committed to helping emerging companies reach their full potential and become an integral part of the local economy."

**WHEN NOT PRACTICING LAW,** Chris Russell volunteers in the community by serving on the boards of SARTA and WIND Youth Services. As WIND's Board Chair, Chris focuses on enhancing the needed services to the region's at-risk youth. As a member of the SARTA board, he helps to foster innovation in local technology sectors, including medical device, clean tech and agribusiness.

