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Chris A. Jenny is a Shareholder in the Madison office of von Briesen & Roper, s.c. He focuses his practice on representing business owners to become more profitable while minimizing their risk and expenses. Chris's practice has a heavy concentration in the real estate, construction, and information technology industries. This practical experience is a tremendous benefit to the contractors, suppliers, landlords, tenants and real estate developers he represents. Chris's construction clients have relied on him for assistance with a wide variety of issues including contract drafting, construction disputes, financing, real estate development, and collections. Chris also represents a large number of national and local landlords and tenants in their lease negotiations and he is the Co-Team Leader of the firm's Retail Real Estate Team.

Chris is featured in the August 2009 issue of *The Wisconsin Law Journal* as one of the Top Construction Lawyers in Wisconsin. He is listed in Wisconsin Rising StarsSM in the area of Business/Corporate Law. Chris is a frequent speaker and author on a wide variety of topics and his presentations include multiple continuing education seminars.

During his free time, Chris enjoys golfing, attending sporting events, and camping with his family. In addition, Chris is a high school varsity boys basketball coach and a WIAA licensed official in basketball.

Recent Presentations

- Building Blocks of Financial Success
- Key Legal Issues in the Remodeling Industry
- Nuts and Bolts of Business Succession Planning
- Contract Updates for Remodelers
- Get Your Free Legal Advice
- Keep More Money in Your Pocket: Better Collection and Lien Procedures
- Building Blocks for Financial Success
- Hot Legal Topics in the Remodeling Industry
- Contracts 101
- Remodeling Law 101
- Five Legal Topics in Fifty Minutes for the Remodeler
- Developing Your Exit Strategy
- Potential Legal Issues for Contractors
- Does Official Malpractice Exist?
- Construction Law Update
- Helping Your Client Select the Best Entity Option
- Small Business Legal Issues
- Better Contractor Practices: Maximizing Your Bottom Line
- Legal Issues for the Real Estate Professional
- Is an LLC Right for You?
- Keep More Money in Your Pocket: Better Collection and Lien Procedures
- Better Contractor Business Practices: Maximizing Your Bottom Line
- How to Draft Wills and Trusts in Wisconsin
- LLCs and LLPs for the Wisconsin Paralegal

Recent Articles

- "Buying or Selling? Transaction Topics Were Hot at the 2018 ICSC Legal Conference"
- "Attention Residential Landlords: Have You Updated Your Leases and Leasing Processes?"
- "Gotcha! Issues to Watch for During Redevelopment Projects"
- "Dont Mess With Texas... Or At Least the Attorneys that Attended the 2017 ICSC Legal Conference"
- "Extra! Extra! Read All About It. California Leases Require Update"
- "Hot Summer Nights: A Recap of the Hot Topics from the 2016 ICSC Legal Conference"
- Legislative Update: Federal Senior Accessible Housing Act
- "Automated Retail: Stores Without Staff, but Not Without Issues"
- "A Refresher on Unenforceable Agreements to Agree"
- "Review of Current Market Trends & Legal Issues"

Honors

- 2011 NARI of Madison Professionalism Award
- 2007-2012 recognized as a Rising StarSM by *Wisconsin Super Lawyers*[®] in the area of Business/Corporate Law
- 2004 Wisconsin Small Business Legal Assistance of the Year award by the U.S. Small Business Administration
- 2001 Volunteer of the Year by the Community Action Coalition for South Central Wisconsin, Inc.

Professional Associations

- Ethics and Bylaws Committee Chairperson, NARI of Madison
- Member of Lakeland Builders Association

Published Articles:

- "The Golden Rules of Negotiating Leases," *InBusiness Magazine*, December 2011
- "New July 1, 2009 Deadline For Wisconsin Building Contractor Registration," *Successful Builder Magazine*, July 2009
- Author, Chapter 7, State Bar of Wisconsin continuing education book, "LLCs and LLPs"

Practice Areas:

- Business and Corporate Law
- Business Succession Planning
- Community Association Law
- Construction Law and Litigation
- Estate and Trust Administration
- Estate Planning
- Land Use, Development and Zoning
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Real Estate
- Real Estate Acquisition and Sale
- Real Estate Litigation
- Retail Real Estate
- Start-up and Next Level Business Planning
- Trusts and Estates
- Will Contests and Trust Litigation

Education:

- University of Wisconsin, J.D., *with honors*
- University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, B.B.A., *magna cum laude*

Bar Admissions:

- Wisconsin
- U.S. Tax Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 7th Circuit