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Kent Maze is an associate in the Chicago, Illinois, office of Jackson Lewis P.C. He assists employers with ERISA, executive compensation, and employee benefits matters.

Kent works with all types of employer-provided employee benefit plans and executive compensation arrangements. He enjoys helping clients drive success by developing creative, practical solutions. As a former high school teacher, he excels at presenting material in a clear, accessible way. One of his favorite parts of his practice is helping clients understand this complex area of the law. Kent has successfully represented employers in front of the IRS, Department of Labor, and the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation. While attending law school, Kent served as the senior notes editor for the *Michigan State Law Review* and was a member of the King Scholar Honors Program.

Practices

- National Compliance and Multi-State Solutions
- Employee Benefits
- Higher Education

Education

- Michigan State University College of Law, J.D. 2015
- University of Michigan, B.A. 2011

Admitted to Practice

- Illinois 2021
- Michigan 2015

Honors and Recognitions

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, “Ones to Watch: Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law” (2024-present)
- Grand Rapids Bar Association, 3 in 10 Award for Excellence in Practice of Law (2020)

Pro Bono and Community Involvement

- Grand Rapids Public Library, Board of Commissioners (2018-2020)
- Grand Rapids Public Library Foundation, Trustee (2020)
- Mind Meets Music, Board of Directors (2017-2018)
- Whitmore Lake Public Schools, Board of Education (2009-2012)

Published Works

- "The New Establishment Clause: The Risks of Elevating Historical Practices Above Legal Principles," 2 *Indon. J. Int'l & Comp. L.* 369 (2015)
- "Requiring Administrative Exhaustion While the School Shuts Down: An Insurmountable Barrier to Seeking IDEA Enforcement," 2014 *Mich. St. L. Rev.* 1161 (2014)