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Tucker Arensberg Adds Labor Atty From Goldberg Kamin

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Law360 (October 21, 2022, 4:05 PM EDT) -- Tucker Arensberg PC has expanded its Pittsburgh office by bringing over a litigator specializing in labor and employment matters from Goldberg Kamin & Garvin, the firm announced Thursday.

Alexander Saksen has joined Tucker Arensberg as senior counsel in the firm's litigation division in Pittsburgh, where he will focus his practice on matters involving labor and employment, commercial litigation, construction and real estate. Saksen told Law360 Pulse during an interview Friday that he has admired Tucker Arensberg's operations from afar and welcomed the opportunity to become a part of the firm.

"It's been a fantastic experience," Saksen said. "Of all the firms I've practiced at, this is the easiest place to just be a lawyer. I can focus on doing the work for my clients, and there are people here to help with the other stuff, like billing and marketing."



Alexander Saksen

Saksen's practice primarily focuses on providing counsel for clients regarding labor and employment matters, taking up about 80% to 90% of his hours at the moment, he said. His services include representing businesses in state and federal courts, as well as agencies such as the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the U.S. Department of Labor.

"Labor and employment is where I've seen more efficient and successful solutions, compared to general commercial and civil litigation," Saksen said. "In some civil litigation, it involves two huge companies punching each other for years. These smaller cases regarding something like employment discrimination force people to sit back and try to resolve with a more beneficial solution."

The rest of Saksen's practice covers a variety of matters in commercial litigation, particularly in the construction sector. He also services some of the firm's school district clients in need of litigation expertise.

Saksen earned his law degree from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law in 2000 and started his legal career with Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Preston Gates Ellis. He previously practiced at Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC, Drummond & Drummond LLP, Bendett & McHugh and Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani LLP. Over that time, Saksen's civil litigation practice shifted its focus to the labor and employment industry.

"When I started at my first firm, I wasn't really aware that labor was a separate practice from civil litigation," Saksen said. "As I built my experience, civil litigation kept me busy, but I went out in search of labor and employment work to have a more balanced plate. Eventually I noticed I had my feet in both departments, and decided to lean more into the labor side."

--Editing by Stephen Berg.