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Robert Nolting is Of Counsel to LeGros Buchanan & Paul, officially retiring his shareholder status in 2014, after thirty-eight years with the Firm. Bob has engaged in a varied practice, representing both individuals and small and large businesses, in both maritime and non-maritime matters. For 19 years he was counsel to the Washington State Maritime Cooperative, a non-profit cooperative created by the marine industry to respond to marine oil pollution incidents.

Bob's non-maritime legal practice has included such matters as corporation and joint venture work (including entity formation and compliance work), purchase and sale of real estate, real property commercial leases, insurance coverage disputes, sale and acquisitions of businesses, corporate dissolutions and mergers, commercial disputes and resolutions, employment contracts, and general commercial transactions, including purchasing, selling, lending, financing and secured transactions. His maritime practice includes issues involving all types of marine insurance, charters, asset sales and acquisitions, regulatory matters (including U.S. Coast Guard, Maritime Administration and U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services), maritime liens, vessel arrests and seizures, tug and tow, vessel financing, the defense of personal injury and property claims, salvage, wreck removal, pilotage and marine oil pollution incidents. In all cases, Bob's clients look to him for practical, no nonsense and cost-effective advice.

Born and raised in Iowa, Bob graduated from the University of Iowa, with highest distinction, earning a degree in Economics and Financial Economics. He then entered the U.S. Army, and spent his tour of duty in Hawaii. He left the Army to attend law school at Boston College Law School, graduating cum laude in 1976, and moved to Seattle, where he joined LeGros Buchanan & Paul. He became a shareholder and director of LB&P in 1980, and later served as managing director. In addition to raising two children, Bob has been active in his community serving two terms on the Board of Directors of the Phinney Neighborhood Association. He continues to serve on its committees, and has done so since 1982.

Bob is a member of the Washington State Bar Association (1976) and the Maritime Law Association. He is admitted to practice before the courts of the State of Washington, the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and the United States Supreme Court.

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