

Weinhardt & Lantz Welcomes New Associate, Avery Freeman

Des Moines, IA (September 2025) – Weinhardt & Lantz, a preeminent leader in complex business disputes, white-collar criminal defense, internal investigations, and appeals, is pleased to announce the addition of **Avery Freeman** to its team as an Associate. Avery



brings strong appellate and litigation experience, sharpened during her clerkship with the Honorable Jonathan A. Kobes of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. During her clerkship, she handled both civil and criminal matters and honed the writing and research skills that now serve Weinhardt & Lantz clients. Avery provides counsel on business litigation, white collar criminal defense, internal investigations, and appeals, bringing to each matter her sharp analytical skills and commitment to excellence.

A native of Keokuk, Iowa, Avery earned her J.D., cum laude, from Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, where she served as Articles Editor for the Northwestern University Law Review and as President of the Federalist Society. She also gained valuable experience through internships and clerkships with the Iowa Attorney General’s Office, Brown Winick in Des Moines, and White & Case in Chicago. Avery is a summa cum laude graduate of Drake University, where she majored in English and Law, Politics, and Society and was honored with the Truman Award for Outstanding Student of the Year.

“Todd Lantz and I have known for some time that Avery is exactly the kind of up-and-coming attorney we wanted on our team,” said Mark Weinhardt, Founding Partner. “She brings strategic intelligence, energy, and integrity to everything she does. Our clients expect that—and Avery embodies it.”

About Weinhardt & Lantz

Weinhardt & Lantz is a Des Moines-based boutique law firm specializing in the litigation of complex civil and criminal cases. While the firm has extensive experience in a wide range of civil and criminal matters, its attorneys concentrate on complex business disputes and the defense and investigation of white-collar criminal matters. The firm represents clients in both federal and state courts in Iowa and across the United States. To review a cross-section of civil, criminal, and appellate cases the firm has handled, or learn about its attorneys’ backgrounds and industry expertise, visit weinhardtlantz.com or call (515) 244-3100.