



**Paul R. Knapp, Sr.**

Vice President of Vomela Specialty Company

Director – Venture Bank, The Catholic Community Foundation, University Enterprise Laboratories, NACD Minnesota Chapter

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**Paul Knapp** serves as vice president of Vomela Specialty Company where his duties include mergers and acquisitions, legal, real estate management and investment, and family business office organization and management.

Paul previously served as director of operations for a 100 year old Minnesota family business office which he transitioned into a new management team and business focus. He acquired, managed, redeveloped, and disposed of office and industrial real estate projects located around the country. He also managed a venture capital fund for the family office, investing in emerging high tech and med tech companies.

Paul has served on the boards of thirty emerging private and public companies and nonprofit organizations including service on governance, compensation, audit, and management committees. He has chaired several for profit and nonprofit boards.

He currently serves as a director of Venture Bank, The Catholic Community Foundation of Minnesota, the Minnesota Chapter of the National Association of Corporate Directors, University Enterprise Laboratories, and several emerging private companies.

Paul graduated from The College of Saint Thomas (BA, Finance) and William Mitchell College of Law (JD). He regularly teaches on the subjects of on investment, growing private companies, family business offices, and building better boards of directors. He has been recognized as a Twin Cities Director of the Year and a Minnesotan to Know by the Twin Cities Business Journal.

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