



History

In 1986, Arthur Kaufman left a large law firm in Manhattan to join three colleagues and start a boutique labor and employment law firm on Long Island. His intention was to improve the quality of life for his family and to create something he could be proud of. Over the course of 35 years, KDV has grown from a four-person labor and employment law boutique into a nationwide law firm with marquee private and insurance clients in the United States, Bermuda and United Kingdom.

Since day one, KDV has established a reputation for first-class legal representation and client service, and has been the standard in which our attorneys operate today. The first two clients ever brought on by Arthur Kaufman – Constellation Brands and We Transport – are still with the firm. It is this model of consistency that has allowed the firm to grow every year since its inception.

"I am heartened today to see that our vision and hard work has paid off, both for our clients and for the lawyers who call KDV home," said Arthur R. Kaufman, founder of the firm.

Today, the firm is known for numerous practices including Labor & Employment, Insurance Coverage & Litigation, Professional Liability, Construction, Homeowner Associations, Financial Services, Insurance Regulatory & Transactional, Cyber Security, Maritime, Shared Economy and Hospitality. KDV has strategically grown its practice to 13 offices nationwide, following clients to emerging marketplaces across the country. Our attorneys apply their diverse background as legal practitioners and litigators on all areas of law to provide clients the most innovative and cost-effective solutions.

With over 180 attorneys and counting, KDV boasts a roster of versatile lawyers that ensure each client matter receives the finest of the firm's collective competencies and capabilities.