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Jack Schmitt has over three decades of legal experience, having previously served as a corporate attorney focusing on mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance and securities law, entertainment law, and general corporate matters. Mr. Schmitt chaired Patterson Belknap's corporate department from 1995 until 2002 and served as Vice Chair of the firm from 2002 until 2007.

Mr. Schmitt's clients included Fortune 500 media, information and publishing companies, public and privately held service and manufacturing companies, and prominent entertainers.

Past Representative Matters

Fortune 500 Media Company

Domestic and international acquisitions and joint ventures.

International News and Business Information Company

Domestic and international acquisitions.

Manufacturing Company

Acquisition of the worldwide consumer products division of a Fortune 500 company, including simultaneous closings in the United States and seven foreign jurisdictions.

National Test Preparation Company

Initial public offering of \$60 million of common stock; private placements; acquisitions.

Healthcare Publishing Company

Acquisitions of specialty publishing companies; private placements of equity securities; bank financings.

Private Equity Group

Investments and restructurings.

Manufacturing Company

Secondary public offerings of \$50 million of common stock. Initial listing of the Company's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange.

Venture Capital Firm

Represent investors in \$50 million private placement of preferred stock of a newly formed internet company.

Business Publishing Company

Acquisition of market data company; sale of magazine publishing company.

Individual Entrepreneur

Sale of health care information company to a leading private equity firm for \$350 million.

Highly Leveraged Manufacturing Company

Asset divestitures and acquisitions. Acquisition of stock of public company (including tender offer and merger). Private placements of debt securities. Initial public offering of debt securities. Sale of 100% of the equity of the Company. Refinancing of senior bank debt. General corporate representation.

Manufacturing Company

Acquisition of approximately \$300 million of assets. Acquisition of stock of public company (including tender offer and merger).

Individual Entertainment Client

General representation of well-known entertainer, including representation in connection with television, motion picture, recording, endorsement and stage contracts.

Education

- Fordham University School of Law (J.D., 1980)
 - *Fordham Law Review*
- Georgetown University, College of Arts and Sciences (A.B., 1977)