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Peter Schaeffer is Co-Chair of the firm's Corporate department. Mr. Schaeffer guides clients in the full range of issues faced by public and private companies. His transactional practice focus is in the areas of private equity, venture capital and mergers and acquisitions.

Mr. Schaeffer advises private equity and venture investors in their investments, and represents strategic operating companies in their acquisitions and dispositions. He represents entrepreneurs and early stage companies on formation issues, equity and compensation matters, licensing and in their financings. Mr. Schaeffer has represented several companies in their initial public offerings, secondary offerings, PIPES, joint ventures and in the establishment of credit facilities. He also regularly represents Boards of Directors on governance issues and clients in critical contract issues such as manufacturing and supply agreements.

Recent Representational Matters

Ongoing representation of a \$8 billion investment firm in equity acquisitions and dispositions, and in strategic transactions relating to its portfolio companies. Investments/acquisitions include premium pet food company, premium beauty retailer, EV motorcycle company, immersive arts and entertainment company, online grocery company store, branded fashion company, and premium branded beauty company.

Ongoing representation of venture capital/growth capital fund in its investments and dispositions.

Ongoing representation of family office in its key investments and transactions.

Represented leading diversified electronics and lighting company in its acquisition of the U.S. fiber-optics and copper network cabling manufacturer business of global company.

Represented multinational engineering and technology company in its disposition and joint venture of a medical product line.

Represented the Special Committee of the Board of Directors in cross-border sale transaction with a value exceeding \$1 billion.

Represented major media company in several dispositions of VC portfolio.

Represented lead syndicate buyer in private equity acquisition of a travel industry company.

Represented dental company in joint venture and sale to Fortune 500 healthcare company.

Representation of lead investor in the workout and sale of consumer retailer to its mezzanine lender.

Represented software company in acquisition of complimentary business.

Other Notable Representational Matters

Represented major fashion designer in his employment agreement and in transactions with the NYSE listed global company.

Represented luxury beauty product and spa service retailer in its sale to Macy's, Inc.

Represented selling shareholders of premium pet food company in IPO.

Represented significant selling shareholder of fashion company in IPO.

Represented human resources counseling company in its sale to Marsh & McLennan.

Represented the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of NASDAQ listed healthcare technology company in the sale to a private equity buyer.

Represented a Fortune 100 financial services organization in lead investment in a NYSE listed natural resource company.

Represented education company in its IPO, M&A transactions, strategic alliances and PIPE financings.

Represented a technology healthcare company in its IPO, M&A transactions, strategic alliances with major media companies, venture capital financings, and its sale through a merger with another publicly traded company.

Represented medical publishing company in its dispositions of each of its medical publishing and contract research organization businesses and in its related dissolution. Prior representation of this client in various venture financings, bank financings, debt restructurings and acquisitions and strategic transactions.

Ongoing and active leadership with the firm's pro bono efforts.

Admissions

- New York

Education

- Columbia Law School (J.D., 1991)
 - Articles Editor, *Columbia Journal of Law and the Arts*
- Colgate University (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1987)
 - Phi Beta Kappa

Publications

April 4, 2025

Delaware Enacts Changes to the Delaware General Corporation Law
Corporate Law Alert

February 4, 2022

FinCEN Issues Notice of Proposed New Beneficial Ownership Information Reporting Requirements Under the Corporate Transparency Act

January 5, 2021

Paycheck Protection Program Act Update: Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021

July 6, 2020

Paycheck Protection Program Act Updates

June 8, 2020

Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act and Updates on Foreign Affiliates and Loan Forgiveness

May 22, 2020

CARES Act: Paycheck Protection Program Loan Forgiveness Application Released

May 15, 2020

CARES Act: Paycheck Protection Program Guidance Updated

May 8, 2020

CARES Act: Additional Guidance on the Paycheck Protection Program

April 24, 2020

CARES Act: Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Additional Guidance and Additional Funds

April 10, 2020

The Federal Reserve's COVID-19 Economic Relief Programs

April 7, 2020

CARES Act: Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) FAQs

April 3, 2020

CARES Act Benefits Explained: Key Provisions for Businesses and Nonprofit Organizations

December 11, 2019

Assessing Potential Risk: Due Diligence for Acquisition of Product Manufacturers

November 12, 2015

SEC Adopts Final Crowdfunding Rules under the JOBS Act

November 2013

SEC Proposes Crowdfunding Rules Under the JOBS Act

July 2013

SEC Adopts JOBS Act Private Placement Provisions: Lifts Ban on General Solicitation and Advertising in Private Placements

April 2013

Delaware Chancery Court Holds that a Reverse Triangular Merger Is Not an Assignment by Operation of Law

April 2013

SEC Outlines Position on FD Disclosure Using Social Media

Summer 2012

The Legal Canvas, Summer 2012

February 2008

SEC Adopts Rule 144 and Rule 145 Amendments