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Our Practice

Within Stradley Ronon's corporate & securities practice, we know that our job is – first and foremost - to help our clients achieve their goals. Whether we are advising on a bet-the-company transaction or a more routine matter, we listen carefully to our client's wishes and tailor our representation to best achieve the desired outcome. The fact that Stradley Ronon has hundreds of client relationships that have continued for more than 20 years is evidence that our clients appreciate this approach.



Our Services

Stradley Ronon's corporate & securities group comprises the following practice areas:

- Banking & Financial Services
- Closely Held/Family Owned Businesses
- Emerging Companies & Venture Capital Funds

- Health Care
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Private Equity
- Public Companies

When our clients need advice outside these practice areas, our corporate & securities practitioners work closely with colleagues in other practice areas, such as employment, employee benefits, environmental,

intellectual property, finance, real estate and tax. And for cross-border transactions, we regularly draw on our relationship with Meritas – the world's largest association of independent business and commercial litigation firms – which offers us access to a network of 170 law firms located in more than 60 countries.

Stradley Ronon's Corporate & Securities Practice is based on five core values:

Quality

Our lawyers produce legal work of the highest quality, and our technical excellence is complemented by sound judgment grounded in extensive knowledge of our clients' industries.

Passion

Our lawyers are passionate about what they do and derive personal excitement and satisfaction from their work. Our clients understand and appreciate that we take their success personally.

Pragmatism

We know that time and other resources are limited, and we are aware that, while some issues are deal breakers, most are not. In each situation, we seek to proceed in the way that best reflects our clients' priorities.

Responsiveness

By its nature, a transactional practice operates 24/7. Our clients receive a total commitment from our corporate & securities team to meet even the most ambitious deadlines. Our clients have complete access to team members, no matter the stage of deal or the time of day.

Value

Our clients receive firstrate counsel at a cost that is respectful of their financial constraints and other business challenges. Everything we do – from transaction staffing and oversight to knowledge management and associate training – aligns with our goal of combining superior quality and value.

Our Practice Areas

Banking & Financial Services

We represent banks and other financial services providers in connection with the complex and challenging regulatory, consumer, corporate governance, litigation, securities and transactional matters that affect their businesses. The clients that rely upon our banking & financial services attorneys include regional and super-regional banks, community banks and thrifts, credit unions, mortgage lenders and brokers, and other financial services providers.

Closely Held & Family Owned Businesses

Stradley Ronon has a long tradition of serving as a trusted adviser to owners, entrepreneurs and executives of closely held and family owned businesses. We represent local, regional and international businesses across a variety of industry sectors throughout all stages of the corporate life cycle, from formation and growth to succession planning and exit events.

Emerging Companies & Venture Capital Funds

We counsel emerging companies and entrepreneurs on the full range of issues relating to company formation, capital raising, operations, strategic growth and exit. Our attorneys also advise venture capital funds and other investors in all manners of early-



stage investment transactions, and we actively leverage these relationships in order to introduce those seeking to raise capital to those looking for investment opportunities.

Health Care

Attorneys in our health care practice represent a broad spectrum of health care companies, including providers, payment professionals, managed care organizations, and companies that supply specialized services and products. Our integrated, interdisciplinary team helps health care clients execute their strategic plans; assess, manage and mitigate risk; and succeed in litigation.

Mergers & Acquisitions

Our mergers & acquisitions practice consists of lawyers with extensive experience representing clients in acquisitions, mergers, divestitures, joint ventures and similar transactions. We represent buyers and sellers, both public and private and both foreign and domestic, in transactions of all sizes across a broad array of industries. In each case, we strive to manage the transaction in the way that will best achieve the client's objectives.

Private Equity

We advise middle-market private equity funds and their portfolio companies through every stage of the investment life cycle. Our practice focuses on the valuecreating transactions of our fund clients, as well as on the representation of sponsor-backed portfolio companies. In addition, we advise private equity and other private investment funds on formation and regulatory matters.

Public Companies

Stradley Ronon advises publicly traded and private companies on all aspects of securities law, including capital-raising transactions, Securities and Exchange Commission and stock-exchange compliance, and corporate governance matters. Our attorneys

combine significant transactional capabilities and regulatory knowledge with experience across a range of industries to help clients complete deals, address complex disclosure and regulatory compliance issues, conduct complex internal investigations, and implement and maintain appropriate governance policies and practices.

Our Accolades

Stradley Ronon's corporate & securities lawyers are leaders in the profession and have received numerous industry awards and recognitions, including:

- Ranked in U.S. News/Best Lawyers "Best Law Firms" for national Corporate Law
- "Leading firm" for Middle-Market Mergers & Acquisitions in The Legal 500 United States
- Top 10 D.C. "Dealmakers" as selected by *The Legal Times*
- "Legal Elites" by SmartCEO magazine
- Go-To Law Firm[®] for Financial Services Companies, American Lawyer Media
- "Turnaround of the Year: Turnaround and Restructuring of Classic Brands," at the 6th Annual M&A Advisor Turnaround Awards
- Top five firms nationally among issuer counsel for U.S. asset- and mortgagebacked securities, Asset-Backed Alert
- AV-rated by Martindale-Hubbell



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ABOUT STRADLEY RONON

For more than 95 years, Stradley Ronon has helped private and public companies – from small businesses to Fortune 500 corporations – achieve their goals. With eight offices and more than 200 attorneys, Stradley Ronon is proud to help companies manage their legal challenges and grow their businesses.

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