

Partner, New York

Mergers and Acquisitions; Financial Institutions



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Education

J.D., Fordham University School of Law, 2014 (*summa cum laude*; Member, *Fordham Law Review*)

B.A., Fordham University, 2009

Bar Admissions

New York

Nicholas Colombo advises public and private companies and private equity firms on mergers, acquisitions, dispositions, corporate governance, joint ventures, spin-offs and securities offerings. He has significant experience working on complex business separations and spin-offs. Mr. Colombo counsels companies in a variety of industries, with an emphasis on the financial services sector, including investment management firms, banking and fintech companies.

Examples of his representations include:

Financial Services

- BlackRock, Inc. in its:
 - \$12 billion acquisition of HPS Investment Partners
 - acquisition of ElmTree Funds
- Janus Henderson Group plc in its \$7.9 billion acquisition by Trian Fund Management and General Catalyst
- Sompo Holdings in its \$3.5 billion acquisition of Aspen Insurance Holdings
- John Marshall Bancorp, Inc. in its pending merger with Eagle Financial Services, Inc.
- Hope Bancorp, Inc. in its pending acquisition of the Commercial Banking Unit of SMBC MANUBANK
- Renasant Corporation in its acquisition of The First Bancshares
- Franklin Templeton in its acquisition of 250 Digital, a spinout from the digital assets venture firm CoinFund
- BMS Group, a portfolio company of Preservation Capital Partners, Eurazeo and British Columbia Investment Management Corporation, in the sale of BMS Re, US, its U.S. reinsurance brokerage business, to Willis Re
- C6 Bank, a full-service Brazilian digital bank, in its sale of a 40% stake to affiliates of JPMorgan Chase
- Citibank, N.A. in the separation of its institutional banking business from Banamex, which operates Citi's consumer, small and middle market businesses in Mexico
- Forbright, Inc. in its initial public offering
- First Carolina Financial Services in its initial public offering
- Santander Bank in a loan portfolio sale
- a special committee of Logan Ridge Finance Corporation in its merger with Portman Ridge Finance Corporation (each is a publicly listed business development company managed by BC Partners)
- HPS Investment Partners in its acquisition of Citadel Servicing Corporation

Fintech and Technology

- CME Group in its:
 - sale of OSTTRA to investment funds managed by KKR at an enterprise value of \$3.1 billion
 - strategic partnership with Flutter Entertainment
- The Sage Group plc in its acquisitions of:
 - Intacct Corporation
 - Lockstep
 - Fyle

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- NCR Voyix in its spin-off of NCR Atleos
 - OceanSound Partners in its strategic investment in CFM (now known as Kinective, a provider of fintech solutions to banks and credit unions) and in its subsequent acquisition of NXTsoft
 - Google in a variety of transactions, including its \$625 million acquisition of Apigee, a software company specializing in application programming interfaces

Sports, Media and Entertainment

- Lachlan Murdoch, Grace Murdoch, Chloe Murdoch and certain trusts for their benefit in connection with the resolution of all disputes with respect to the Murdoch Family Trust
- Twenty-First Century Fox in its \$71.3 billion acquisition by the Walt Disney Company and the premerger spin-off of certain news, sports and broadcast businesses
- The XFL in its relaunch as a professional football league following its acquisition by Redbird Capital Partners, Dwayne “The Rock” Johnson and Dany Garcia, and its subsequent combination with the United States Football League to create the United Football League
- Downtown Music Holdings LLC in its \$775 million acquisition by Virgin Music Group
- The National Hockey League in agreements with team owners and third parties regarding ownership changes, financing and league rules

Other Industries

- DuPont in its:
 - \$45.4 billion merger of its Nutrition & Biosciences business with International Flavors and Fragrances Inc. in a reverse Morris trust transaction
 - tax-free spin-off of its global performance chemicals business into a separate public company named Chemours
- Chipotle Mexican Grill in its minority investment in Brassica, a fast-casual restaurant concept
- York Capital Management in its sale of The Bay Club Company to KKR
- Bai Brands LLC in its \$1.7 billion acquisition by Dr Pepper Snapple Group, Inc.

Mr. Colombo is actively involved in Skadden’s recruiting and corporate training programs. He serves on the firm’s Summer Associate Committee.