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Education

D.E.A., University of Paris II - Pantheon Assas, 2002

D.E.S.S., University of Nancy, 2001

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Publications

"Foreign Investment Review Is an Integral Part of an M&A Transaction," *ActuEL Direction Juridique*, September 10, 2026

"Conseil d'administration vers quelle responsabilité?" *NextStep* (page 15), May 12, 2026

"Foreign Investment Control in France: Questions Regarding the Concept of Foreign Investment," *La Revue Pratique De Droit Des Affaires*, December 18, 2025

"French Authorities Release 2025 Annual Report and Update Guidelines on FDI Rules," *Skadden Publication*, October 3, 2025

"Le SQE : un nouvel outil pour dépasser le clivage dette/equity," *Option Finance*, March 25, 2024

"La lente émergence des SPACs français," *CFNews*, March 24, 2021

Guillaume Goubaux's practice focuses on corporate matters, including domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, and capital markets transactions. He also assists clients in navigating the French regulatory framework applicable to foreign direct investment (FDI) screening. He represents French and international companies, financial institutions and investors.

In recognition of his work, Mr. Goubaux has been recognised by *La Lettre des Juristes d'Affaires* as one of its Top 10 Rising Stars advising companies in the CAC 40, the benchmark French stock market index.

Mr. Goubaux's experience covers a broad range of sectors, including transportation, automotive, infrastructure, energy and finance.

His experience includes representing:

- Renault SA in connection with:

- its strategic partnership with Geely and its minority investment in Renault do Brasil
- matters relating to the Renault–Nissan–Mitsubishi Alliance
- matters related to its proposed (but withdrawn) €32.6 billion 50/50 merger transaction with Fiat Chrysler Automobiles

- Spirit AeroSystems in the divestiture of certain assets and sites involved in the production of Airbus aerostructures to Airbus SE and subsequent merger with The Boeing Company, with the merger valuing Spirit AeroSystems at US\$4.7 billion

- Air France-KLM in connection with:

- Apollo's investment of €1.5 billion into an *ad hoc* affiliate of Air France-KLM that operates the miles issuance activity of the Flying Blue loyalty program
- Apollo's €500 million investment in 2023 into an operating affiliate of Air France that owns a pool of components dedicated to the airline's engineering and maintenance activities
- its strategic global air cargo partnership with CMA CGM
- Apollo's €500 million investment in 2022 into an affiliate of Air France that owns a pool of spare engines dedicated to the airline's engineering and maintenance activities
- corporate and governance matters relating to its 2022 €2.256 billion capital increase with preferential subscription rights and the €4 billion recapitalization measures approved by the European Commission in April 2021

- LVMH in its strategic partnership with Accor regarding Orient Express

- Altice in connection with the sale of its Teads business to Outbrain

- DuPont in connection with:

- the spin-off of its electronics business
- the sale of a majority stake in its Delrin business to TJC
- the sale of the majority of its Mobility & Materials business to Celanese
- the combination of IFF and DuPont's Nutrition & Biosciences business

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- Criteo S.A. in connection with its acquisition of shares and assets of the IPONWEB group
 - Zayo Group Holdings, Inc. in its US\$1.4 billion sale of zColo, including certain U.S. and European data center assets, to DataBank, Ltd.
 - Coty Inc. in its strategic partnership with KKR, including the carve-out sale of 60% of its professional beauty and retail hair businesses to KKR. This transaction was named Private Equity Deal of the Year for the Americas by *IFLR* at its Americas Awards
 - SCOR SE in several transactions, including related to its successful defense against a €8.3 billion unsolicited takeover proposal from Covéa
 - Cardinal Health, Inc. in the US\$1 billion sale of its Cordis business to Hellman & Friedman, LLC

Mr. Goubeaux joined Skadden's Paris office after previously working for 15 years at another international law firm.