## Steven Hannah



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## **Education**

Law Diploma, University of Edinburgh 2005

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Steven Hannah is a highly experienced private equity and financial sponsor transactions lawyer.

Mr. Hannah's practice principally focuses on advising financial sponsors on leveraged buyouts, disposals and consortium/minority equity investments in various geographies, sectors and transaction values. His work also involves advising portfolio companies of financial sponsors on bolt-on transactions, restructurings, recapitalisations, management incentive schemes, senior executive hires and dismissals, and other strategic and general corporate matters. Mr. Hannah was named one of *International Tax Review*'s 2022 Rising Stars in Private Equity, in addition to being named one of *Law.com International*'s 2021 Private Equity Rising Stars, which recognised Europe's top 25 up-and-coming lawyers.

Mr. Hannah's recent representations include advising:

- Castik Capital and ABRY Partners, LLC on the sale of Reward Gateway to Edenred SA, and on their earlier joint acquisition of Reward Gateway and Xexec
- funds advised by Castik Capital on:
  - the merger of Waterlogic Holdings Limited with Culligan International Co. Mr. Hannah previously advised on the sale of a majority stake in Waterlogic to Castik's new single asset fund, EPIC I-b, and the sale of a significant minority stake in the company to four institutional investors
  - the acquisition of TBAuctions BV and subsequent bolt-on acquisitions of Medical Auctions, Auksjonen and PS Auction by TBAuctions
  - · the acquisition of Element Logic
  - the acquisition of Customs Support Group B.V. (CSG) from Mentha Capital B.V. and Oscar Driessen, the founder of CSG
  - CPA Global's \$6.8 billion all-stock combination with Clarivate plc
  - the sale of approximately 25% of portfolio company Waterlogic Holdings Limited to British Columbia Investment Management Corporation
  - their acquisition of two IP management services and software companies, ipan Group and Delegate, and their subsequent merger with CPA Global, a portfolio company of Leonard Green Partners and Partners Group
  - the acquisition of AddSecure from Arby Partners
- I Squared Capital on the acquisition of Enva, a British and Irish recycling business owned by Exponent Capital
- Aptean, Inc., an enterprise software company owned by TA Associates Management, LP,
  Vista Equity Partners Management, LLC and Charlesbank Capital Partners, LLC, on the acquisitions of Drink-IT, Merlin Business Software Limited and Affinitus Group Limited
- H.I.G. Capital on its acquisition of the plumbing and heating division of Travis Perkins plc
- Montagu Private Equity LLP and the other shareholders of Equatex on their €354 million disposal to Computershare

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- funds managed by I Squared Capital Advisors, LLC, along with TDR Capital LLP, on the US\$3.1 billion acquisition of Aggreko plc
- Hg
  - in connection with its acquisition of Riskalyze, Inc.
  - on its acquisition of Trackunit A/S from Goldman Sachs Asset Management and Gro Capital A/S
  - on its sale of Sovos Compliance to a consortium headed by Hg's Saturn 2 fund and TA Associates
  - on the acquisition by Hg's Saturn 2 fund of a stake in Visma, valuing the business at an enterprise value of \$12.2 billion, which is the world's largest-ever software buyout
  - on its investments in Litera Microsystems, Workshare and Allocate
  - on its acquisition of CaseWare International
- on its acquisition of Prophix
- Prophix, a portfolio company of Hg, on its acquisition of Sigma Conso from Fortino Capital
- Litera, a portfolio company of Hg, on its acquisition of DocsCorp
- Transaction Services Group (TSG) on Calera Capital's sale of a majority stake in TSG to Advent International Corporation
- Sovos Compliance, LLC, a portfolio company of Hg, on its acquisitions of Foriba AS, TrustWeaver AB, Paperless and Acepta.com
- Open International, a Montagu portfolio company, on its acquisition of Transactor Global Solutions
- CogitalGroup, an Hg portfolio company (now Azets), on its acquisition of Wilkins Kennedy
- AddSecure, a Castik Capital portfolio company, on its acquisition of Connexas Group