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#### Education

J.D., Georgetown University, 1995  
B.S., University of Michigan, 1992

#### Bar Admissions

California

Mike Ringler is a nationally recognized M&A adviser, focusing on technology-related industries. He has represented large, well-established and industry-leading companies, as well as smaller industry disruptors, in a broad range of technology verticals, including the semiconductor, networking, software and internet industries. Mr. Ringler regularly advises boards, special committees and management teams on mission critical and transformative M&A transactions. He also advises boards and special committees confronting challenges to corporate control, such as unsolicited acquisition proposals, proxy contests and shareholder activism. Mr. Ringler is ranked Band 1 in *Chambers USA*, has repeatedly been named in *Chambers Global*, has been listed in *Best Lawyers in America* since 2010 and has been recognized on many occasions as a leader in his field by national and statewide publications, including *The American Lawyer*, *The New York Times*, California's *Daily Journal* and *IFLR1000*.

Mr. Ringler's recent representative transactions include:

- Proofpoint in its \$12.3 billion sale to Thoma Bravo.
- Coherent in its initially announced \$5.7 billion sale to Lumentum, followed by Coherent's subsequent responses to competing acquisition proposals from MKS Instruments, II-VI and Lumentum in a three-party bidding war culminating in Coherent's \$7 billion sale to II-VI.
- SK Hynix in its \$9 billion acquisition of Intel's memory business.
- Livongo Health in its \$18.5 billion sale to Teladoc.
- Credit Karma in its \$7 billion sale to Intuit.
- F5 Networks in its \$1 billion acquisition of Shape Security and its \$500 million acquisition of Volterra.
- Xperi Corporation in its \$3 billion merger with TiVo Corporation.

Mr. Ringler's representative transactions prior to joining Skadden include:

- Hewlett-Packard in its:
  - \$25 billion acquisition of Compaq and related proxy contest with Walter Hewlett; and
  - \$5 billion acquisition of Mercury Interactive.
- Freescale in its \$19 billion sale to a private equity consortium led by The Blackstone Group.
- CA Technologies in its \$19 billion sale to Broadcom.
- Seagate in its:
  - \$18 billion three-party sale to Silver Lake Partners and Veritas; and
  - \$2 billion acquisition of Maxtor.
- Pixar in its \$8 billion sale to The Walt Disney Company.
- Sun Microsystems in its:
  - \$7.8 billion sale to Oracle; and
  - \$2 billion acquisition of Cobalt Networks.
- McAfee in its \$7.7 billion sale to Intel.

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- MuleSoft in its \$7 billion sale to Salesforce.com.
  - Business Objects in its \$7 billion sale to SAP.
  - Informatica in its \$5.3 billion sale to Permira Advisers and Canada Pension Plan Investment Board.
  - LSI in its \$5.2 billion merger with Agere Systems.
  - Cypress Semiconductor in its \$5 billion merger of equals with Spansion.
  - FEI in its \$4.8 billion sale to Thermo Fisher Scientific.
  - Riverbed Technology in its \$4 billion sale to Thoma Bravo.
  - AppDynamics in its \$3.8 billion sale to Cisco.
  - Solectron in its \$3.6 billion sale to Flextronics.
  - Trulia in its \$3.5 billion sale to Zillow.
  - 3Com in its \$3.3 billion sale to Hewlett-Packard.
  - Aruba Networks in its \$3 billion sale to Hewlett-Packard.
  - Salesforce.com in a number of transactions, including its \$2.5 billion acquisition of ExactTarget.
  - 3PAR in its:
    - \$2.4 billion sale to Hewlett-Packard following Hewlett-Packard's unsolicited acquisition proposal for 3PAR during the pendency of 3PAR's proposed \$1.7 billion sale to Dell; and
    - proposed \$1.7 billion sale to Dell (terminated following 3PAR's receipt of an unsolicited acquisition proposal from Hewlett-Packard).
  - The GoDaddy Group in its:
    - \$2.25 billion sale to Kohlberg Kravis & Roberts, Silver Lake Partners and Technology Crossover Ventures; and
    - \$1.8 billion acquisition of Host Europe Group.
  - Taleo in its \$2.2 billion sale to Oracle.
  - Redback Networks in its \$2.2 billion sale to Ericsson.
  - Flatiron Health in its \$2 billion sale to Roche.
  - Apttio in its \$2 billion sale to Vista Equity Partners.
  - Marketo in its \$1.8 billion sale to Vista Equity Partners.
  - YouTube in its \$1.7 billion sale to Google.
  - CVent in its \$1.65 billion sale to Vista Equity Partners.

## Selected Awards and Recognition

- *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, Band 1 ranked and described as an "exceptional M&A lawyer" who is held in "high esteem by clients and peers alike"
- *Chambers Global: The World's Leading Lawyers for Business*, listed annually
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, listed annually since 2010, including being honored as a 2017 M&A Lawyer of the Year
- Lawdragon 500 Leading Dealmakers Guide 2021
- *The Legal 500 2019*, which described him as "an accomplished M&A lawyer with an excellent record in multi-billion dollar transactions"
- *The American Lawyer*, Dealmaker of the Year, 2021 and 2015
- *Daily Journal*, California Lawyer Attorneys of the Year (CLAY) Award, 2021 (in recognition of work on behalf of Livongo in its \$18.5 billion sale to Teledoc Health)
- *Daily Journal's* 2019, 2018, 2015 and 2012 lists of the Top 100 Lawyers in California
- *Daily Journal*, M&A Top Innovator, 2015
- *Daily Journal*, Top 20 Under 40, 2007
- *The Recorder*, Attorney of the Year, 2010
- *The New York Times'* 2007 list of the "next generation of deal-makers"