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Education

J.D., University of Virginia School of Law, 2004 (Editorial Board, *Virginia Law Review*; Order of the Coif)

A.B., Princeton University, 200°

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Gavin A. White advises clients on a wide variety of U.S. and international tax matters, including public and private acquisitions, divestitures, bankruptcy reorganizations, equity and debt offerings, and joint ventures. He has extensive experience advising private equity firms and their portfolio companies on a variety of transactions.

Mr. White has been repeatedly recognized in *Chambers USA* and *The Legal 500*, and was included in *Crain's* inaugural Notable LBGTQ Leaders & Executives list, which honored 70 LGBTQ professionals in a variety of industries. He also has been recognized as Highly Regarded by *ITR World Tax* and previously was named one of *Law360*'s Rising Stars in Tax.

Mr. White's notable representations of corporate clients include:

- Twenty-First Century Fox, Inc. in its \$71.3 billion acquisition by the Walt Disney Company and the related premerger spin-off of certain news, sports and broadcast businesses
- **Express Scripts** in its \$67 billion acquisition by Cigna Corporation and its \$3.6 billion acquisition of EviCore Healthcare, LLC
- Centene Corporation in its:
 - \$17.3 billion merger with WellCare Health Plans, Inc.
 - \$2.2 billion acquisition of Magellan Health
 - \$750 million sale of Magellan Specialty Heath, Inc. to Elovent Health, Inc.
 - sale of a majority stake in U.S. Medical Management, LLC to Rubicon Founders, Valtruis, Oak HC/FT and HLM Venture Partners
 - acquisition of PANTHERx Rare, LLC
 - · acquisition of Apixio, Inc.
 - sale of Casenet, LLC to Zyter, Inc.
- LVMH Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton S.E. in its \$15.9 billion acquisition of Tiffany & Co.
- Dell Technologies Inc. in its \$4 billion sale of Boomi, Inc. to Francisco Partners and TPG Capital
- **Fortive Corporation** in its \$3 billion tax-free spin-off via a Reverse Morris Trust of four operating companies from its Automation & Specialty platform to Altra Industrial Motion Corp. and its tax free spin-off of Vontier
- Sealed Air Corporation on its \$3.2 billion sale of Diversey Care to Bain Capital
- Dentsply Sirona in its \$1 billion acquisition of Byte
- **News Corporation** in its \$950 million acquisition of Move, Inc.
- Mayne Pharma Group Limited in its \$475 million sale of Metrics Contract Services to Catalent, Inc.
- Joh. A. Benckiser GmbH, a holding company based in Germany, as the lead investor in its US\$9.8 billion acquisition of D.E. Master Blenders 1753 N.V. (the Netherlands), a coffee and tea producer. Skadden also advised on the related €3.3 billion acquisition financing, which won *International Financial Review*'s EMEA Leveraged Loan of the Year award for 2013
- Danaher Corporation in:
 - its \$13.8 billion acquisition of Pall Corporation, its \$5.7 billion acquisition of Abcam plc and its acquisition of Intabio LLC
 - the US\$2.6 billion merger of its communications business with NetScout Systems, Inc.

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- \$3.3 billion divestiture of its remaining interest in Envista Holdings Corporation through a split-off exchange offer
- its tax-free spin-off of its specialty industrials business into a separate, publicly traded company called Fortive Corp.
- Aircastle Limited in its \$7.4 billion acquisition by an entity controlled by affiliates of Marubeni Corporation and Mizuho Leasing Company, and in its secondary offering of common stock
- Fortress Transportation and Infrastructure Investors LLC, an owner and acquirer of transportation and transportation-related infrastructure assets, in its \$340 million initial public offering of common shares representing limited liability company interests
- Freescale Semiconductor, Ltd. and a private equity consortium, including The Blackstone Group L.P., The Carlyle Group LP,
 Permira Funds (United Kingdom) and TPG Capital, L.P., in Freescale's \$11.8 billion acquisition by NXP Semiconductors NV (the Netherlands)
- NASDAQ OMX Group, Inc. in several transactions, including its acquisitions of the e-Speed platform for electronic trading in U.S. Treasury securities, Instinet Group, Inc. and Direct Reporting Corporation; its repurchase of \$500 million of common stock from Borse Dubai Limited; its sale of International Derivatives Clearing Group; and numerous debt and equity offerings
- **Bai Brands, LLC** in its \$1.7 billion acquisition by Dr Pepper Snapple Group, Inc.
- NXP Semiconductors N.V. in its:
 - wholly-owned subsidiary's \$1.76 billion acquisition of Marvell Technology Group Ltd.'s (Bermuda) wireless connectivity portfolio
 - proposed but terminated acquisition by Qualcomm Inc.

Mr. White's notable representations of private equity sponsors and their portfolio companies include:

- **Permira Funds** in a number of matters, including the acquisition of DiversiTech Corporation from the Jordan Company and the \$2.2 billion sale of DiversiTech to Partners Group; the acquisition of LSNE, Inc. and its sale to PCI Pharma Services; the \$1.75 billion acquisition of Duff & Phelps from equity investors led by Carlyle and the \$4.2 billion sale of a majority stake in Duff & Phelps to Stone Point Capital; the \$2.4 billion acquisition of Cambrex Corporation; the acquisition of a majority stake in Axiom; the acquisition of a majority equity stake in Cielo; the \$2.3 billion sale of its portfolio company Atrium Innovations to Nestlé S.A.; the \$1.9 billion sale of an 80% stake in its portfolio company Netafim Ltd. to Mexichem, S.A.B. de C.V.; the acquisition of Intelligrated, Inc. from Gryphon Partners and \$1.5 billion sale of Intelligrated

- Inc. to Honeywell; the \$2.8 billion sale of its portfolio company Iglo Foods to Nomad Holdings Limited; the \$3.5 billion sale of its portfolio company Arysta LifeScience to Platform Specialty Products; the \$1.1 billion acquisition of Atrium Innovations
- OceanSound Partners in its acquisition of a majority stake in Netrix, LLC; its strategic investment in Lynx Software Technologies; its portfolio company RMA Group of Companies in its merger with Western Technologies, Inc. and Enviro-Drill, Inc.; its strategic investment in CFM;its acquisition of BTB Security; its portfolio company Netrix, LLC in its acquisitions of Edrans, Distributed Systems Services, Inc. and the managed IT services business unit of Contegix, LLC; and an affiliate of OceanSound Partners, LP in its strategic investment in RMA Group of Companies
- Wendel SE in several transactions, including the:
 - \$910 million acquisition of Crisis Prevention Institute from FFL Partners
 - merger of its portfolio company AlliedBarton Security Services LLC with Warburg Pincus-backed Universal Services of America, Inc.
 - sale to Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec of a significant stake in Allied Universal
- Pamplona Capital Management LLC in its acquisition of VText
 Holdings, Inc.; its \$150 million PIPEs investment in Lumos
 Networks Corp.; its portfolio company CSC ServiceWorks in a \$2
 billion seven-year first lien term loan B; and its portfolio company
 Latham Pool Products, Inc. in a credit agreement which provided for
 \$325 million in term loans and a \$75 million revolving credit facility
- **Genesys**, a portfolio company of Hellman & Friedman and Permira, in a \$580 million financing round at a \$21 billion valuation
- Norwest Equity Partners, along with the management of Clover Imaging Group, in their carve-out acquisition of Clover Imaging from 4L Holdings Group
- Amulet Capital Partners LP in its formation of US Digestive Health; a \$70 million credit facility to support its acquisition of a management services organization; the sale of its portfolio company Synteract to Syneos Health, as well as its \$50 million senior secured credit facility in connection with its acquisition of SynteractHCR Holdings Corporation and the refinancing of Synteract's first-lien credit facilities and repayment in full of second-lien term loans