

CORPORATE & BUSINESS LAW

Our corporate & business law attorneys, with their extensive and hands-on business experience, are effective in serving as virtual general counsel to assist in executive and board-level decision-making and anticipating and mitigating legal and business risks.

For over 60 years, we have been a trusted advisor to leading companies, guiding them from entity formation to exit strategy. Based in the heart of Silicon Valley, our Corporate Practice is tailored to represent growing companies during crucial stages of corporate formation, initial capitalization, corporate finance, fund raising (both debt and equity), business development and expansion, whether through acquisitions or organic growth. We advise companies on their day-to-day operations, corporate acquisitions and divestitures, commercial transactions, corporate governance, regulatory compliance, domestic and international tax, and IP portfolio development and maintenance.

We are capable of evaluating and handling global transactions by leveraging our local knowledge with our global reach. Having represented Silicon Valley companies for decades, we are well-versed in cutting edge, innovative technologies. Our historical and robust relationships with regional and international banks allow us to structure financing deals that meet our clients' targeted needs. Our international focus and experience has attracted clients from all over the world, including Germany, France, Italy, Japan, Taiwan, Norway and China.

We provide unmatched service to our clients, regardless of their size. Our tightly-knit teams of attorneys seamlessly collaborate with one another to understand every detail of our clients' business, products, technology and personnel. Unlike our larger competitors, our clients receive personal attention and dedicated service from our senior attorneys at a much lower cost.

We represent privately-held companies and high-growth businesses, domestic and international, in various fields. We are capable of handling a myriad of transactions, from technology licensing and collaboration agreements to high stakes, multinational mergers. Below is a summary of our capabilities:

- Choice of entity
- Capital structure
- Debt and equity financing (including venture capital financing and sale/leaseback transactions)
- Protecting, acquiring and transferring intellectual property
- Tax planning and structuring
- Executive compensation and severance
- Exit transactions

- Wind-ups and bankruptcy
- Corporate and commercial litigation

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