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Biography

Bill Curtin is Global Head of our M&A practice and advises market-leading companies on their cross-border transactions. He is also a member of the firm's Global M&A Leadership Team.

Commended by *Legal 500 US* for his ability to "get impossible deals done" and for his "experience, creativity, availability, and business understanding," Bill has been honored as a Dealmaker of the Year by *The American Lawyer* and included among the *International Who's Who of Mergers & Acquisitions Lawyers*.

He has significant international experience practicing out of major commercial centers around the world. From 2003 until 2008, Bill was based in Paris and led the development of our operations in France. From 2008 to 2010, Bill was based in London and served as Head of our European Corporate Group. From 2010 until 2016, he served on the Global Board of Hogan Lovells while based out of the firm's Washington and New York offices. Since 2016, he has served as Global Head of our Mergers and Acquisitions practice.

Bill is a frequent commentator on the state of M&A (with recent appearances on Bloomberg, CNBC, Sky News, and in *The New York Times* and *The Wall Street Journal*) and lecturer on corporate law, including at the law schools of Duke University and the University of Virginia.

He is co-author of a comprehensive article on cross-



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Languages

English

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Practices

Mergers and Acquisitions

Joint Ventures

Industries

Aerospace and Defense

Automotive

Consumer

Manufacturing and Industrials

Financial Institutions

border business combination transactions, which has been cited by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission as one of several authoritative sources on such transactions.

Bill is fluent in French and has studied at the London School of Economics and the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania. Before entering law school, Bill spent an academic year in Paris on a Fulbright Scholarship.

Representative experience

Airbus Group on its joint venture with OneWeb; its acquisition of MTM Robotics; and its sale of Airbus DS SatCom Government, Inc.

Arcturus UAV, Inc. on its US\$405m sale to AeroVironment, Inc.

Argo AI on its acquisition of Princeton Lightwave Inc.

Arm Limited, subsidiary of SoftBank Group Corp. and SoftBank Vision Fund, on the pending US\$40 billion sale of Arm to NVIDIA.

Audi, BMW, and Daimler in connection with their US\$3.1bn purchase, as a consortium, of the HERE mapping business from Nokia, and third-party investments by Intel, Mitsubishi Corporation, and NTT.

British Sky Broadcasting Group plc on its strategic investment in the German pay television market.

Cisco Systems, Inc. on its acquisitions of Assemblage, Inc., DocumentReady ApS, ParStream GmbH, and Skyport Systems, Inc.

Cloudflare, Inc., a leading web infrastructure and cybersecurity company, on its US\$162m acquisition of Area 1 Security, Inc., a developer of industry-leading phishing and network security products.

Corning on its acquisitions of the pharmaceutical glass tubing business of Gerresheimer AG and the borosilicate glass tubing business of Bormioli Pharma.

Daimler AG on its acquisition of RideScout; sales of the Orion parts and North American Setra distribution

Life Sciences and Health Care

Mobility and Transportation

Technology and Telecoms

Areas of focus

Public Company Mergers and Acquisitions

Cross-border Mergers and Acquisitions

Carve-outs, Spin-offs, and Split-offs

Shareholder Activism

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., University of Virginia School of Law, 1996

A.B., Duke University, cum laude, 1992

Memberships

Regional Manager for Washington, D.C., University of Virginia Law School Annual Giving, 2000-present

Visiting Professor, L'Institut d'Etudes Politiques, Paris, France, 1992-93

Bar admissions and qualifications

New York

District of Columbia

Maryland

businesses; investments in Via; and reorganization of its worldwide business.

Dell on its US\$3.05bn sale of the Dell Services IT services business and on its US\$2.075bn sale of the RSA business.

Ford Motor Company on its sales of Volvo Cars, Jaguar, and Land Rover; minority investments, including in Pivotal Software and ZoomCar; and its ventilator partnership with GE Healthcare.

Gemalto N.V. on its US\$890m acquisition of SafeNet, Inc. from Vector Capital.

The Gores Group on its acquisition of a majority stake in Mexx International from Liz Claiborne, including the formation of a joint venture between Gores and Liz Claiborne.

Honeywell International Inc. on its US\$1.5bn acquisition of Intelligrated and its €425m acquisition of Transnorm.

IBM on the global separation and reorganization of Kyndryl Holdings, Inc., its managed infrastructure services business, prior to the spin-off of Kyndryl into a separate publicly traded company.

Ingredion on its £185 million acquisition of LSE-listed PureCircle Ltd. and its joint venture with Amyris.

The co-founders and senior management of The Motley Fool, Inc. on a series of restructuring and recapitalization transactions.

PDS Tech, Inc. on its sale to AKKA Technologies.

SkyWater Technology on its approximately US\$112.1m initial public offering and listing on the Nasdaq (SKYT).

Awards and rankings

- Corporate/M&A & Private Equity, *Chambers USA*, 2021-2022
- M&A/Corporate and Commercial: M&A: Large Deals (\$1bn+), *Legal 500 US*, 2020
- M&A, Notable Practitioner, *IFLR1000*, 2020
- The International Who's Who of Mergers &

Acquisitions Lawyers, 2009-2020

- Media, Technology, and Telecoms: Technology: Transactions, *Legal 500 US*, 2017-2019
- Mergers & Acquisitions, *New York Super Lawyers*, 2020
- Client Choice Awards, United States: M&A, *International Law Office*, 2012
- Dealmaker of the Year, *The American Lawyer*, 2011

Latest thinking and events

- Media Mention
 - Global Head of M&A Bill Curtin looks ahead at M&A in 2023 on Bloomberg's "Balance of Power" *Bloomberg's "Balance of Power"*
- Announcements
 - IFLR Americas Awards recognize Hogan Lovells for work on 'Project Finance Deal of the Year'
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises syncreon in acquisition by DP World
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises IBM on global reorganization for separation of Kyndryl
- News
 - Biden Administration Releases First 100-Day Review, Spurring Immediate Actions for US Supply Chains
- Published Works
 - M&A and President Biden *The M&A Journal*