

Matt N. Thomson

Partner

Washington, D.C.

Biography

Matt Thomson represents public and private companies in a wide range of transaction, compliance, and governance matters, but he has particularly deep knowledge of the commercial real estate industry.

He's worked with numerous public REITs and real estate funds, guiding them through a variety of governance matters, strategic mergers, going-private transactions, IPOs, REIT formation and "roll up" transactions, joint venture structuring, and other strategic and capital-raising transactions.

But Matt's experience extends far beyond real estate. He's worked closely with a considerable number of companies as they navigated through mergers and acquisitions (public and private), joint ventures, public securities offerings, and private equity financings, to achieve successful results. He also routinely advises companies and their boards on general business issues and corporate governance, securities law, and SEC and NYSE compliance matters.

Representative experience

Parkway Properties, Inc. on its US\$2.0bn stock-for-stock merger with Cousins Properties Incorporated and concurrent US\$1.0bn spin-off of Parkway, Inc.

First Potomac Realty Trust on its US\$1.4bn going-



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Practices

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Areas of focus

private acquisition by Government Properties Income Trust.

Parkway, Inc. on its US\$1.2bn going-private acquisition by Canada Pension Plan Investment Board.

The Special Committee of Phillips Edison Grocery Center REIT II, Inc. on its US\$1.9bn merger with Phillips Edison & Company, Inc.

QTS Realty Trust, Inc. on its US\$400m at-the-market equity offering program.

Home Properties, Inc. on its US\$7.6bn going-private acquisition by Lone Star Funds.

QTS Realty Trust, Inc. on its US\$326m acquisition of Carpathia Hosting, Inc.

QTS Realty Trust, Inc. on various follow-on offerings of common stock and 144a offerings of senior notes.

QTS Realty Trust, Inc. in aggregate of US\$400m public offerings of preferred stock (including convertible preferred stock).

QTS Realty Trust, Inc. on its US\$240m joint venture with Alinda Capital Partners for datacenter development.

Kite Realty Group Trust on its US\$2.1bn stock-for-stock acquisition of Inland Diversified Real Estate Trust, Inc.

Parkway Properties, Inc. on its US\$1.2bn stock-for-stock acquisition of Thomas Properties Group, Inc.

QTS Realty Trust, Inc. on its US\$257m IPO.

Goldman Sachs and Bank of America Merrill Lynch in connection with the US\$930m IPO of Empire State Realty Trust, Inc.

Awards and rankings

- Real Estate: Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs), Next Generation, *Legal 500 US*, 2017-2019

Raising Equity Capital

Initial Public Offerings

Proxy Solicitations, Shareholder Meetings, and Shareholder Proposals

Disclosure and Reporting Obligations

Capital Markets and Tax

Real Estate Private Equity

Public Company Mergers and Acquisitions

Special Committee and Independent Director Representations

Joint Ventures and Strategic Alliances

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., University of Tennessee College of Law, summa cum laude, Order of the Coif, 2003

B.S., Union University, 1999

Memberships

Member, American Bar Association

Member, National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts

Bar admissions and qualifications

District of Columbia

- REITs (Nationwide), Up and Coming, *Chambers USA*, 2019
- M&A/Corporate and Commercial: Shareholder Activism: Advice to boards, *Legal 500 US*, 2019

Tennessee

Latest thinking and events

- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises Industrial Property Trust in US\$3.99 billion sale to Prologis