

## William W. Yavinsky

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### Biography

Will Yavinsky focuses his corporate practice on U.S. and international business transactions. He brings vast experience in mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, partnerships, and strategic alliances.

Will represents strategic companies, financial sponsors, and other investors on domestic and cross-border transactions involving industries as diverse as aerospace and defense; government; automotive; fashion; industrial manufacturing; life sciences and health care; and technology, media and telecoms. He has been a member of the core deal team in transactions recognized as "deals of the year."

Will is Co-Head of our global Automotive Industry Sector Group, which is consistently recognized for excellence including by *Law360* as Transportation Practice Group of the Year (2019).

While a senior associate, Will was seconded to a U.S.-based industrial sector client. As an in-house lawyer, he worked as a member of the legal teams supporting M&A, commercial and intellectual property development, as well as licensing matters, to mitigate legal risk and provide practical solutions to protect the company's interests.

Will is a member of our global committee addressing legal project management matters; he helped design and implement tools and techniques as a recent pilot initiative. He also lectures annually on corporate law at



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### Languages

English

Spanish

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### Practices

Mergers and Acquisitions

Corporate Governance

Private Equity

Commercial

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### Industries

Aerospace and Defense

Automotive

Technology and Telecoms

Duke University Law School. While in law school at Georgetown University Law Center, Will worked on cross-border legal matters as a law clerk for a leading Argentine law firm in Buenos Aires.

Will's pro bono legal services and community engagement include advice and support in the areas of the arts, child development and education, housing and community development, and veterans support organizations.

## Representative experience

Dell Technologies Inc. on the sale of the global RSA business to a consortium led by Symphony Technology Group, Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan Board, and AlpInvest Partners for US\$2.075bn.

TRATON SE, a subsidiary of Volkswagen and global manufacturer of commercial vehicles, on its strategic equity investment in TuSimple, a leading developer of autonomous trucks and related technology.

A privately held, international telecommunications service and infrastructure company in a variety of acquisitions, commercial arrangements, and public procurement matters.

Dell Technologies Inc. on the sale of its information technology services business to NTT DATA for US\$3.055bn and on its acquisition of DataFrameworks.

Primetals Technologies and shareholder Mitsubishi Heavy Industries on the acquisition of ABP Induction Systems, manufacturer and servicer of induction furnaces and heating systems.

Aéroports de Paris on its acquisition of aviation consulting firm Merchant Aviation LLC.

Arlington Industries Group, a portfolio company of Cartesian Capital Group, on its acquisition of the Wahler Thermostat business from BorgWarner.

Auto parts maker Affinia Group in its global brake, chassis, and filtration businesses sales for total enterprise value over US\$1.5bn.

Energy and Natural Resources

Diversified Industrials

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## Education and admissions

### Education

J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, magna cum laude, Order of the Coif, 2008

A.B., Duke University, magna cum laude, 2005

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### Bar admissions and qualifications

District of Columbia

New York

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Corning in its acquisition of the pharmaceutical glass tubing business of Gerresheimer AG.

Airbus Defense and Space in the sale of its thermal management systems subsidiary Fairchild Controls Corporation to Triumph Group.

Gemalto N.V. in its acquisition of SafeNet, Inc., a worldwide leader in data protection and software monetization, for US\$890m.

Amplimmune, Inc., a biologics company developing cancer therapies, in its sale to AstraZeneca and MedImmune for up to US\$500m.

Ford Motor Company in its sales of Volvo Cars to Geely for US\$1.8bn, and Jaguar and Land Rover to Tata Motors for US\$2.3bn.

One of the largest European-based aerospace companies in acquiring a provider of advanced air traffic management products and services.

Office Depot, Inc. in the sale of a 50% interest in Latin American joint venture Office Depot Mexico to Grupo Gigante for US\$690m.

A private equity fund in its acquisition of a global components and accessories supplier of the gaming, amusement, and industrial markets.

The Gores Group in its acquisition of a majority stake in Mexx International from Liz Claiborne and forming a related joint venture.

A global auto original equipment manufacturer in commercial and supply arrangements, including for captive dealer and vehicle financing.

## Latest thinking and events

### ■ News

- Getting The Deal Through: Automotive 2021

### ■ Webinar

- Supply chain and restructuring risks and opportunities in the global automotive sector: A roundtable business and legal perspective for 2020 and beyond webinar

- Sponsorships and Speaking Engagements
  - Autonomy Digital
- Announcements
  - New Mobility & Transportation sector group
- News
  - Getting The Deal Through: Automotive 2020
- Press Releases
  - Hogan Lovells announces changes to office, practice area, and industry sector leadership roles