



Mike J. Kennedy

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Michael Kennedy is a partner in the Private Equity and Mergers & Acquisitions practices at Paul Hastings, based in the firm's San Francisco office. Since 1984, he has concentrated on the corporate areas of mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, corporate partnering, joint ventures, and corporate governance, with an emphasis in the technology, emerging growth, healthcare, biotechnology, and media industries.

He has extensive experience in the private equity and leveraged buyout industries as well as decades of experience on transactions in a number of other industries, including automotive, defense, financial services, media, technology, healthcare, and building products. He represents many major investment banks in their advisory roles on M&A deals.

In addition, Mr. Kennedy has significant experience in the debt (bank and high-yield areas) and restructuring areas. He is routinely asked by Boards to advise on hostile transactions, proxy fights, and other governance matters.

Mr. Kennedy frequently lectures at corporate seminars and continuing legal education forums.

Recent Representations

- Represented Francisco Partners in numerous transactions
- Advised Healthland on its US\$250 million acquisition by CPSI
- Advised Hyperion Therapeutics in an acquisition by Horizon Pharma
- Advised FrontRange Holding in an acquisition by Endpoint Intermediate
- Advised Ethical Oncology Science in an acquisition by Clovis Oncology
- Represented GXS Group in an acquisition by Open Text Corporation

Accolades and Recognitions

- Cited since the late 1990's in the Chambers and Who's Who Legal – California guides as a leading lawyer in M&A and technology.

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Practice Areas

Mergers and Acquisitions
Financial Services
Technology
Private Equity
Technology, Media and
Telecommunications
Life Sciences and Healthcare
Corporate

Admissions

California Bar
New York Bar

Education

New York University School of
Law, J.D. 1984
Yale University, B.A. 1981

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Professional and Community Involvement

- Adjunct Professor, Boalt School of Law, University of California at Berkeley in the topic of Mergers & Acquisitions (1997–present)
- Chairman, PLI Technology Mergers and Acquisitions Program (1997–2002)
- Frequent lecturer at corporate seminars (e.g. Board Member magazine) and continuing legal education forums

Education

- New York University, J.D., 1984
- Yale University, B.A., 1981

News

May 01, 2020

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2020

December 19, 2019

Francisco Partners and Evergreen Coast Capital to Acquire LogMeIn for Approximately \$4.3 Billion

August 08, 2019

Francisco Partners to Sell ClickSoftware to Salesforce for \$1.4 Billion

May 31, 2019

Francisco Partners Sells Prometheus Group for Over \$1 Billion

May 01, 2019

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2019

February 22, 2019

Paul Hastings Continues Corporate Growth Hot Streak, Adding Top Tech M&A Team in Silicon Valley

August 01, 2018

Francisco Partners Leads \$500 Million Secondary Investment in LegalZoom

May 11, 2018

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA

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2018

April 03, 2018

Francisco Partners to Acquire Bomgar

June 05, 2017

Paul Hastings Practices and Lawyers Score Top Rankings in Chambers USA
2017

April 06, 2017

Avangate Acquires 2Checkout

July 05, 2016

High-Profile M&A/Private Equity Team Joins Paul Hastings in San Francisco

Rankings & Awards

May 01, 2020

Recognized by Chambers USA 2020

April 26, 2019

Ranked by Chambers USA 2019

May 15, 2018

Recognized by Chambers USA 2018

June 05, 2017

Recognized by Chambers USA 2017