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Practice Areas

Corporate
Mergers & Acquisitions
Private Equity & Venture
Capital

Admissions

Wisconsin

Education

Juris Doctor, University of
Michigan Law School, 1994,
cum laude

Bachelor of Arts, Stanford
University, 1991, (Berlin,
Germany campus January-
June 1990)



Mark Witt is a shareholder in the firm's Milwaukee office and member of the Corporate Practice Group. His practice is focused on mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, private equity, venture capital, joint ventures and strategic commercial agreements for a number of public and private companies and private equity funds.

In the transactional area, Mark is known for his strong technical ability, his breadth of middle market experience, his commitment to excellent client service and his practical approach focused on resolving issues and reaching closing.

Mark joined the firm in 1994 and was elected a shareholder in 2001. He serves on the firm's Board of Directors.

Recent Representative Experience (2020-2021)

Represented a global public manufacturing company in eight separate acquisitions of businesses inside and outside of the United States (2021)

Represented Wisconsin Fastener Supply in its sale to Monroe Engineering (2021)

Represented Phoenix LLC in its merger with SHINE Medical Technologies LLC (2021)

Represented a national non-profit organization in its sale of a "for profit" subsidiary to a "for profit" corporate buyer (2021)

Represented a software company in its sale to a private equity firm (2021)

Represented a private equity firm in two separate acquisitions of labels businesses (2021)

Represented a private equity firm in its acquisition of a manufacturing business (2021)

Represented a "fundless sponsor" in its acquisition of a manufacturing company (2021)

Represented a private equity firm in its sale of a recreational consumer products company to another private equity firm (2021)

Represented the sale of the WeShare and WeGather businesses by Liturgical Publications to an affiliate of Ministry Brands (2021)

Represented Briggs & Stratton in its investment in Accelerated Systems, Inc. (2021)

Represented Briggs & Stratton in its acquisition of SimpliPhi Power, Inc. (2021)

Recent Representative Experience (2020-2021)

Represented a family office based in Milwaukee in its acquisition of a consumer snack food company (2020)

Represented a family office based in Milwaukee in its acquisition of a consumer chocolate company (2020)

Represented a global public manufacturing company in five separate acquisitions of business inside and outside of the United States (2020)

Represented the Alliance for Strong Families and Communities in its merger with Council on Accreditation (2020)

Represented the management team of a privately held technology company in the sale of the business to a global publicly traded technology company (2020)

Represented a shareholder of a large privately held company in the redemption of his ownership interest in the company (2020)

Represented a Fortune 200 automotive supplier in connection with the sale of its automotive fabrics manufacturing business to a privately-held company (2020)

Activities

Member of Northwestern Mutual Policyowners' Examining Committee (2021)

Association for Corporate Growth, Wisconsin
Past President (2017-2018)
President (2016 - 2017)
Member of Board of Directors (2010 - present)

Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
Chairman of Board (2017- 2021)
Member of Board of Directors (2009 - present)
Member of Quality Committee (2009 - present)
Chairman of Quality Committee (2016 - 2017)
Member of Governance Committee (2015 - present)

Honors

Listed in *Best Lawyers in America*:

- 2018, 2020, 2023: Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law "Lawyer of the Year" in Milwaukee
- 2015 – present: Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships)
- 2009 – present: Corporate Law; Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law; Mergers & Acquisitions

Recognized by Chambers USA (Corporate/M&A, 2007 – present)

Recognized by IFLR1000, the guide to the world's leading financial and corporate law firms and lawyers, as a Wisconsin Statewide Leading Lawyer – Highly Regarded (2020 - present)

Recognized as a *Wisconsin Super Lawyer* (2010 – present)

Recognized as a Client Service All-Star by BTI Consulting (2022)

Godfrey & Kahn Updates

A secret they don't want to keep: buyer sought to terminate deal for Victoria's Secret
May 07, 2020

News & Publications

Godfrey & Kahn attorneys and practice groups achieve top Chambers & Partners rankings in Wisconsin
May 20, 2021

"Accuracy of Seller's Representations as a Condition of Closing in Transactions Involving Representation and Warranty Insurance," Deal Points, Fall 2019
September 13, 2019

Presentations

Drafting and Enforcing Closing Conditions in Unprecedented Times 2020
September 22, 2020

2020 Mid-Year Middle Market M&A Webinar Update: How much longer 'til we get there?
September 16, 2020