

Jason L. Kirk

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OVERVIEW

Jason Kirk is a partner and a member of the firm's Asset Management and Investment Funds practice group. He leads a practice advising on the formation and operation of investment funds across private credit, private equity, venture capital, real estate, and hedge fund asset classes. Jason provides strategic counsel to both sponsors and institutional investors, guiding them through complex alternative investment structures and transactions. His experience spans fund formation, management company structuring, secondary transactions, and mergers and acquisitions.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Before joining the firm, Jason was an associate at an international law firm, where he focused on representing fund sponsors in forming and operating private funds. He has a background in finance and financial regulation, gained prior to practicing law. Jason is a CFA charterholder.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *The Legal 500 United States* as a Recommended Lawyer for Private Equity Funds (Including Venture Capital), 2026

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- CFA Institute
- Seattle Alternative Investment Association (Board Member)

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Washington School of Law, *(Malcolm Edwards Prize)*
- B.A., Eastern Washington University, *(summa cum laude; Frances B. Huston Medallion)*

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Washington

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 15 November 2023, Asset Management and Investment Funds Fall Conferences - Seattle

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- "STRATEGIC PERSPECTIVES: Case study in models for academic health systems structuring venture capital investments: Henry Ford Health System," *Health Law Daily*, 10 September 2021

NEWS & EVENTS

- 10 November 2026, K&L Gates Advises Churchill Asset Management on US$1.54 Billion Junior Capital Opportunities Fund III
- 4 December 2025, 2025 Asset Management and Investment Funds Fall Conference—West Coast
- 22 September 2025, K&L Gates Advises on Launch of WaterEquity's New Evergreen Fund to Expand Water, Sanitation Access
- 20 May 2024, K&L Gates Advises Churchill Asset Management on US$425 Million Structured Liquidity Solution Transaction
- 2 January 2024, K&L Gates Names Nearly 30 Partners, Government Affairs Advisors Across Firm
- 18 October 2021, K&L Gates Advises Churchill Asset Management on Pair of Private Equity Investment Funds Totaling U.S.$1.5 Billion

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Asset Management and Investment Funds
- Emerging Growth and Venture Capital
- Hedge Funds
- Institutional Investors
- Investment Advisers
- Investment Funds
- Private Equity Funds
- Private Equity Transactions

- Real Estate Funds

INDUSTRIES

- Financial Services
- Private Equity