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OVERVIEW

Mark is an experienced mergers and acquisitions lawyer with a strong track record of successfully advising American and international clients in complex domestic and cross-border transactions.

Mark routinely acts for clients in strategic acquisitions and divestitures and private equity firms, and their portfolio companies, in investments, add-ons, exits, and divestitures. In addition to Mark's mergers and acquisitions practice, he provides practical strategic, corporate governance advice. Mark also advises clients on corporate restructurings and equity and debt financings, including venture capital, private placements, and convertible debt financings.

Mark takes pride in serving clients across a diverse range of industries, encompassing software and information technology, biotechnology, consumer products, financial services, and construction. His multifaceted industry exposure equips him with a deep understanding of sector-specific challenges and opportunities, enabling him to provide tailored legal solutions that align with each client's unique needs and industry dynamics.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Mark spent time as a corporate mergers and acquisitions associate at a large national law firm in Vancouver, where he represented private companies and private equity firms in acquisitions, divestitures, equity and convertible debt financings, and general corporate matters.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *The Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Canada*™ for Corporate Law and Mergers and Acquisition Law, 2025

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Victoria, 2016
- B.S., Chestnut Hill College, 2013

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Washington

NEWS & EVENTS

- 14 July 2026, K&L Gates Advises JVCKENWOOD Corporation on Acquisition of San Luis Aviation
- 16 December 2025, K&L Gates Advises Hartzell Engine Tech on Acquisition of Lamar Technologies
- 18 November 2025, K&L Gates Assists Acumen Information Systems on Acquisition by Pine Services Group

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Corporate Governance
- Private Equity Transactions

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represented Hartzell Engine Tech, a Signia Aerospace company, on their acquisition of Lamar Technologies, LLC, a manufacturer of light aircraft electronics and battery charging equipment.
- Represented Acumen Information Systems, LLC, a Florida-headquartered industry leading technology consultancy firm, in its acquisition by Evergreen, a family of managed IT services and software partners.
- Represented King County in its acquisition of a landfill gas processing facility from Bio-Energy (Washington), LLC.
- Represented Coleman Oil Company, LLC, a fuel distribution company, in its sale to Northstar Energy, LLC.
- Represented NexTec Group, Inc., a Seattle, Washington-headquartered industry leading technology consultancy firm, in its acquisition by Evergreen, a family of managed IT services and software partners.
- Represented The SEER Group, a Washington-headquartered provider of home services that include heating, ventilation, air conditioning, electrical, and plumbing, in its acquisition Associated Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc., an Oregon-based provider of HVAC services.
- Represented a major investor of Catapult Health, LLC, a provider of telehealth services, in the sale to Teladoc Health, Inc. for US$65 million.
- Represented a private equity firm on its acquisition of a designer, developer, and distributor of flexible intermediate bulk containers and complementary packaging products.
- Represented a private equity firm on its acquisition of a supplier of specialty tools, hardware and equipment, and provider of services in connection with the electrical utility industry.

- Represented the vendors of a Chile-based digital services company in their sale to a strategic purchaser.
- Represented a gene therapy company in connection with its go public transaction through a merger with a SPAC.
- Represented the vendors of a professional baseball team.
- Represented a heavy machinery manufacturer in its sale of a Canadian business division to a privately held industrial holding company in Chicago.
- Represented a gene therapy company in connection with multiple convertible note financings, cap table management, equity plan award documentation, and general corporate matters.
- Represented the vendors of a company that provided advanced diagnostic imaging software and device technologies to dentists and oral health specialists.
- Represented a purchaser on its acquisition of a cloud-based hotel property management software company.
- Represented a purchaser on its acquisition of all the shares of a business that sells enterprise resource planning, customer relationship management technologies, and IT/managed services.
- Represented a strategic purchaser on its acquisitions of various online media companies.