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OVERVIEW

Mackenzie Powers is a partner and focuses her practice on commercial and corporate transactions, including joint ventures and strategic alliances, complex commercial contracts, corporate governance, and mergers and acquisitions. Mackenzie has extensive experience in structuring and negotiating a broad variety of complex commercial contracts, including outsourcing and other service agreements, license agreements, development and collaboration agreements, and distribution agreements. Mackenzie advises clients in a number of industries, including healthcare, life sciences, agribusiness, technology, manufacturing, retail, transportation, and media.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Mackenzie practiced in the corporate group of the New York office of a global law firm where she focused on public and private corporate transactions, including domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, going-private transactions, joint ventures, and asset divestitures.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Named to the North Carolina Rising Stars list for Mergers and Acquisitions, 2016-2018

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- North Carolina Bar Association
- Wake County Bar Association
- Association for Corporate Growth (Raleigh/Durham)
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Triangle - Board Member

EDUCATION

- J.D., Duke University School of Law, 2006 *(Duke Journal of Comparative and International Law; Lead Editor)*

- B.B.A., Emory University, 2001 *(in Finance and Accounting)*

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of New York
- Bar of North Carolina

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- January 2026, 14th Annual "Under the Wire" CLE Webinar
- January 2025, 13th Annual "Under the Wire" CLE Webinar
- 1 February 2024, Twelfth Annual "Under the Wire" CLE Webinar

NEWS & EVENTS

- 16 May 2023, Women in Manufacturing: Navigating 2023 Disruptors
- 13 July 2021, K&L Gates Launches Expanded Guidebook on Doing Business in the United States

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Technology Transactions and Sourcing
- Mergers and Acquisitions

INDUSTRIES

- Consumer Goods and Services
- Food, Beverage, and Agribusiness
- Life Sciences
- Manufacturing
- Transportation and Logistics

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Representation of a pharmaceutical company in connection with the sale of a manufacturing site to a pharmaceutical and industrial contract manufacturing firm
- Representation of a clinical research organization in connection with multiple acquisitions

- Representation of a synthetic materials company in connection with its increased investment in a synthetic wine closure company and related joint venture
- Representation of a clinical laboratory company in connection with multiple acquisitions, mergers and joint ventures
- Representation of a private equity firm in connection with the acquisition of an auto-body repair business