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OVERVIEW

Robert Matlin is a partner in the corporate group of the firm. He has broad experience in counseling public and private corporations, private equity, hedge and venture capital funds, and entrepreneurs across a broad spectrum of legal issues, with particular emphasis on, mergers and acquisitions, IPOs, registered direct offerings, PIPES, SPACS, private placements, securities reporting requirements, RTOs, private equity acquisitions, venture financings, joint ventures and general corporate matters in a wide range of industries. In addition, he counsels corporations and their boards of directors on matters of corporate governance.

Robert believes the keys to a successful attorney-client relationship are a strong understanding of a client's business, regular communications, fast response and practical solutions to business law issues.

SECURITIES

Robert has represented issuers, underwriters, investors and placement agents in public and private offerings of equity, debt and convertible securities and is the regular securities law counsel to numerous publicly held corporations based in the U.S. and Asia. He has assisted them with periodic reporting requirements, exchange listings and other compliance matters relating to the public securities markets.

MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS

Robert has represented both U.S. and multinational purchasers and sellers of a broad range of businesses including, technology, digital media, Internet-based products, software, hardware, consulting services, financial services, telecommunications, chemicals, manufacturing, pharmaceuticals, and consumer products. He is regularly involved in both public and private transactions.

GENERAL CORPORATE COUNSELING AND GOVERNANCE

Robert provides general corporate counseling, primarily to publicly held corporations and their boards of directors, on a broad range of issues, including obligations of directors and corporate governance matters.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- American Bar Association

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Robert regularly lectures on a variety of corporate and securities matters. He has also been widely quoted in numerous national and international publications.

- Urban Land Institute's National Convention: SPAC Panel, 19 May 2021
- Everything You Ever Wanted to Know about SPACs but Were Afraid to Ask, Webinar, 5 May 2021
- SPACs: What You Need to Know, Webinar, 8 April 2021
- SPACs - What? How? Why? - A Recent Capital Market Phenomenon, Podcast, 1 April 2021

EDUCATION

- J.D., Pace University School of Law, 1985 (*cum laude*; *Pace Law Review*)
- B.A., Brandeis University, 1982 (*cum laude*)

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of New York
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 23 April 2021, To SPAC or Not to SPAC: A Continuing Conversation with Mid-Sized PE Fund Managers about the SPAC Process (Part II) (*Alerts/Updates*)
- 31 March 2021, To SPAC or Not to SPAC – Key Considerations for Mid-Sized Private Equity Managers (*Alerts/Updates*)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Author, "The Practice Guide to PIPEs" Matlin & Ogurick, LexisNexis, 2017 and 2018
- Contributing Author, "Securities Practice Guide," LexisNexis, 2009 to present
- "Alphabet Soup: Companies Looking for Alternative Financing have an Expanding Menu of Alternatives to Choose From," *The Deal*, March 27, April 2, 2006
- Co-Author, "Structuring of Venture Backed Companies," Practising Law Institute, 2004

NEWS & EVENTS

- 10 June 2021, K&L Gates Advises Spartacus Acquisition Corporation on Merger with NextNav (*Noteworthy Work*)
- 8 April 2021, SPACs: What You Need to Know, co-sponsored with DHG (*Event*)
- 16 March 2021, K&L Gates Advises Continental AG and Tokyo Century on Series-D Financing of Volocopter GmbH (*Noteworthy Work*)
- 26 December 2019, K&L Gates Counsels Brooge Holdings and Brooge Petroleum and Gas Investment Company on Combination with Twelve Seas Investment Company (*Press Release*)
- 29 April 2019, K&L Gates Cross-Platform Team Advises LG Household & Healthcare Company in Acquisition Agreement with New Avon LLC (*Noteworthy Work*)

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Capital Markets
- Corporate Governance
- Emerging Growth and Venture Capital
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Private Equity Transactions
- Public Companies