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OVERVIEW

Kristin Taylor is an associate at the firm's Charlotte office. She is a member of the Corporate practice group and focuses her practice on mergers and acquisitions, emerging growth and venture capital, private equity, and corporate law matters in a variety of industries and sectors.

Kristin represents private equity funds and and public and private companies in a variety of matters, including purchase and sale of private companies, corporate governance and other corporate matters. She also focuses in advising large global financial institutions in connection with minority and growth equity and debt investments in Fintech and other technology companies, including with respect to compliance with the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956. Kristin also represents other global, public companies in connection with equity and debt investments.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

During law school, Kristin served as an extern for a magistrate judge where she assisted staff by performing research, cite-checking, and editing memoranda, as well as drafting recommendations for habeas corpus and social security cases.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- North Carolina Bar Association

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Law, 2019 *(cum laude; North Carolina Journal of Law & Technology, Notes Editor)*
- A.B., Duke University, 2015

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of North Carolina

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 5 August 2020, Court of Chancery Addresses Direct-Derivative Suit Distinction In The Context of a Merger Transaction

NEWS & EVENTS

- 25 August 2026, K&L Gates Advises Compass Group Equity Partners on Acquisition of Koma Precision
- 25 June 2026, K&L Gates Recognized by ABI for Innovation and Technology Sale of the Year
- 16 January 2026, K&L Gates Advises Matthews International Corporation in US$232.1 Million Sale of Warehouse Automation Business
- 24 July 2025, K&L Gates Assists Carousel Capital on Sale of Majority Interest in Landscape Workshop to Ares Management Corporation
- 22 May 2025, K&L Gates Advises Akoustis Technologies in its Sale of Assets to SpaceX
- 19 May 2025, K&L Gates Assists Daily Harvest in its Acquisition by Chobani
- 18 September 2023, K&L Gates Advises Foro Holdings, Inc., on Acquisition of Citi's Bridge Platform and Related Capital Investment

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Emerging Growth and Venture Capital
- Private Equity Transactions

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represented Compass Equity Group Partners, a leading middle-market private equity firm, in its acquisition of Koma Precision, LLC, a leading precision manufacturing company that provides engineered machining, manufacturing, and related services to customers.
- Advised Matthews International Corporation (NASDAQ: MATW), a Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania-based provider of industrial technologies and memorialization products, in the US$232.1 million sale of its Warehouse Automation business to Duravant LLC.

- Advised UBS AG London Branch in connection with a consortium equity investment by UBS AG London Branch and two other global financial institutions into CSD BR, a Brazilian-based trade repository, central securities depository, and clearinghouse for the Brazilian financial market.
- Advised Charlotte-based Foro Holdings, Inc., a commercial lending services provider, on its acquisition of Bridge, a digital platform built by Citi to connect small and medium-sized businesses to a diverse group of lenders for business loans. As part of the transaction, Citi joined Foro's investors, including TTV Capital, US Bank and Correlation Ventures, in an additional capital investment in Foro to support the continued growth of the business.
- Advised an investment bank and financial services firm as the lead investor in the growth equity financing of a leading developer of an insurance brokerage and management platform.
- Advised an investment bank and financial services firm as the lead investor in the growth equity financing of a leading provider of account opening, loan origination, and BNPL financing solutions.
- Advised an investment bank and financial services firm as the lead investor in the equity financing of a leading provider of crypto financial intelligence.
- Advised an investment bank and financial services firm as the lead investor in the growth equity financing of a leading global payments enablement and software company.
- Regularly advise subsidiaries of a leading global EdTech and workforce solutions provider in connection with various minority equity and convertible debt investments in early-stage and growth-stage EdTech and workforce solutions companies.
- Advised a consortium of global financial institutions as investors in an equity financing of a leading fintech solutions provider of voice communication and analytics platforms, technologies, and services designed for the unique needs of financial institutions and other financial services customers.
- Represented a private equity-backed provider of residential HVAC services in its several acquisitions of other HVAC service providers, as well as plumbing and electricity service providers.
- Represented a private equity firm in connection with the exit of its investment in a leading multi-market audience development and specialist digital content company.
- Advised Exact Sciences Corporation (NASD: EXAS), a leading provider of cancer screening and diagnostics tests, on its acquisition of Resolution Bioscience, Inc., a developer of next-generation sequencing-based precision oncology solutions.