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OVERVIEW

Tucker Idol provides practical, business-minded M&A counsel to buyers and sellers in the infrastructure, utility, specialty construction, architecture, and engineering sectors. He guides clients through the full transaction lifecycle—from pre-market risk assessment and LOI negotiation to transaction document execution and post-closing integration—helping clients stay focused on their core business while driving successful outcomes.

As part of the firm's global platform, Tucker delivers a single point of contact for the tax, employment, benefits, real estate, environmental, and regulatory services needed to close deals on time and on budget, in the US and internationally.

Tucker has closed transactions across the utility and communications infrastructure space, including acquisitions and sales involving aerial and underground transmission and distribution contractors, communications service and equipment providers, and specialty suppliers. His deal experience extends to heavy transportation, rigging and millwright services, worker and equipment safety solutions, transformer manufacturing, utility-scale solar construction, vegetation management, and commercial general contracting.

Clients rely on Tucker's ability to structure acquisitions of regulated professional service firms and his nuanced understanding of construction industry accounting, project-based revenue, and disaster-response services. His focus on infrastructure and the built environment positions him as a go-to M&A advisor for strategic and private equity investors consolidating the sector.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Tucker began his career as a corporate attorney in the Los Angeles office of an international law firm, focusing on cross-border asset finance and M&A transactions. Before joining the firm, he advised emerging growth and venture-backed companies at a full-service business law firm in the Research Triangle region of North Carolina.

Tucker successfully completed the Charted Financial Analyst Program Level I exam in 2024.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized as a Thomson Reuters Stand-out Lawyer, 2025-2026

- Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® "Ones to Watch" for Corporate Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law; and Venture Capital Law, 2022-2023

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "Effective Negotiation Strategies for In-House Counsel," Association of Corporate Counsel, May 2024
- "Key Concepts in Venture Capital and Growth Equity Financing," Association of Corporate Counsel, November 2023
- "Introduction to Law Firm Economics," Festival of Legal Learning, UNC Law, February 2023
- "Managing an Acquisition Process as an In-House Counsel," Under the Wire CLE Seminar, February 2023
- "Demystifying the M&A Process," Association of Corporate Counsel, July 2022
- "Not Optional: Strategies for Managing Your Equity Incentive Plan", VACO Continuing Professional Education Series, March 2021
- "Getting Back to Work - What You Need to Know About Re-Opening", ACG Raleigh/Piedmont Virtual Meeting, May 2020
- UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School EMBA SoftLaunch Program, Legal Advisor, 2017 - 2019
- "Legal Issues for New Companies," Vernon Malone College & Career Academy, Raleigh, NC
- "So You Want to Work for a Start-Up Company," Momentum Learning, Raleigh, NC

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Southern California Law School
- B.S., University of North Carolina

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of North Carolina

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 16 March 2023, Delaware Court Finds Corporate Officers Have Duty of Oversight and Sexual Harassment Can Be a Breach of the Duty of Loyalty
- February 2023, Eleventh Annual "Under the Wire" CLE Webinar

NEWS & EVENTS

- 2 February 2026, Nearly 50 K&L Gates Lawyers Recognized on *Thomson Reuters* Stand-out Lawyers List
- 11 March 2025, Nearly 50 K&L Gates Lawyers Receive Global Recognition in *Thomson Reuters*' Stand-out Lawyers List
- 2 February 2023, "Under the Wire" CLE Seminar
- 18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 1 March 2022, K&L Gates Names Nearly 40 New Partners, Of Counsel, and Government Affairs Advisors Across Firm
- 19 August 2021, Nearly 300 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2022 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 27 February 2020, K&L Gates Advises Maven Wave on Acquisition by Atos, Creating Strongest Google Cloud Services Portfolio Available

OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- "Fed rate cuts could spark flood of mergers and acquisitions," *Triangle Business Journal*, 13 September 2024

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Corporate and Acquisition Finance
- Emerging Growth and Venture Capital

INDUSTRIES

- Energy
- Manufacturing
- Transportation and Logistics
- Transportation Infrastructure
- Utilities