

Raphael Bloch

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OVERVIEW

Raphaël Bloch is a partner in the firm's Corporate practice. Raphaël focuses his practice on corporate transactions including mergers and acquisitions, joint-ventures, investments, and divestments. He advises French and international companies and investors on local and cross-border transactions across a wide range of industries and has gained significant experience advising banks, fintechs, as well as media and entertainment, gaming, music, and technology companies.

Prior to joining K&L Gates, Raphaël worked at several international law firms in Paris where he practiced in private M&A. Currently, Raphaël focuses his practice on corporate transactions including mergers and acquisitions, joint-ventures, investments, and divestments. He advises French and international companies and investors on local and cross-border transactions across a wide range of industries and has gained significant experience advising banks, fintechs as well as media/entertainment, gaming, music, and technology companies.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognised by *The Legal 500 EMEA* as a Recommended Lawyer for Mergers and acquisitions in France, 2022-2025

EDUCATION

- B.A. in Law, Cambridge University, 2005
- Master Grande Ecole, ESCP Europe, 2009
- Maitrise en Droit, University of Paris 2 Panthéon-Assas, 2007

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Paris

LANGUAGES

- English
- French
- German

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- December 2022, December 2022 Accolades - Part 1

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- "A Significant First Step For Pa. Carbon Capture Programs," *Law360*, 5 April 2023

NEWS & EVENTS

- 10 November 2025, K&L Gates Advises Albemarle on Sale of a Controlling Stake in Ketjen to KPS Capital Partners
- 22 June 2023, Nearly 50 K&L Gates Lawyers Throughout Europe Recognized in 2024 Best Lawyers, Ones to Watch Editions
- 24 August 2022, K&L Gates Advises Envision Digital on Acquisition of QOS Energy
- 13 January 2021, K&L Gates Advises Masraf Al Rayan on US$2.2 Billion Merger With Al Khaliji Commercial Bank
- 25 March 2020, K&L Gates Adds Paris Corporate Partner

OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- "K&L Gates advised Envision Digital on the acquisition of QOS Energy," *Le Monde Du Droit (France),* 6 September 2022

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Construction and Infrastructure
- Corporate Governance
- Payments, Banking Regulation, and Consumer Financial Services
- Private Equity Transactions

INDUSTRIES

- Automotive
- Betting and Gaming
- Consumer Goods and Services
- Energy
- Financial Services
- Fintech
- Healthcare
- Household Goods
- Manufacturing
- Private Equity
- Technology
- Telecommunication and Mobile

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represented Cummins Inc (NYSE:CMI), a Columbus, Indiana-based global power leader, in its acquisition of 100% of the shares of Cummins France, an industrial equipment supplier in Chassieu, France, one of the company's last major independent distributors in Europe.
- Represented San Francisco, California-headquartered Glass, Lewis & Co., LLC, a provider of independent global governance solutions, in its acquisition of 100% of the shares of French proxy advisor Proxinvest, the only French voting advisory agency or "proxy advisor" specializing in matters related to general meetings, corporate governance, and shareholder engagement.
- Represented Singapore-based Envision Digital International Pte. Ltd., a global decarbonization software leader, in its acquisition of QOS Energy, leading in the fast-growing renewables asset performance management category.
- Advised i2a SA, d/b/a i2a Diagnostics, and its three founders in a majority investment by London, England-based private equity fund Apposite Capital. We also advised the founders in their sale of secondary shares. i2a is a provider of instruments, software, and reagents for the clinical microbiology market in France.
- Advised French banking group Crédit Mutuel Arkéa in the majority stake acquisition/investment in French silver tech company Creative Specific Software, a designer and distributer of a patented fall detection solution for the elderly and dependent people by AS2D, a joint-venture with Delta Dore. The merger supports Creative Specific Software's strong development in France, Europe, and the United States.