



Mergers and Acquisitions

WilmerHale lawyers have decades of experience advising public and private companies, investment funds and other stakeholders in all aspects of M&A transactions around the globe. Our practice comprises an interdisciplinary team of lawyers with sophisticated capabilities across a broad spectrum of specialties, who deliver responsive and practical solutions on transactions of all kinds in an increasingly complex and challenging environment. Applying a holistic approach, we bring together seasoned teams to provide guidance in areas including corporate/M&A, antitrust, finance, intellectual property, technology licensing, data privacy and security, labor and employment, compensation and benefits, tax, strategic response and a wide range of regulatory matters.

PRACTICE AT A GLANCE

- Represent leaders in life sciences, medical devices, technology, financial services, defense, communications, and other industries, who turn to WilmerHale for legal advice on their most significant matters.
- Routinely work on strategic transactions for sophisticated serial acquirors, including **Akamai Technologies, Danaher, Medtronic, MKS Instruments, Revvity, Thermo Fisher Scientific** and **WEX**, where we integrate closely with our clients' internal teams.
- Serve as primary outside counsel to numerous public and venture-backed life sciences and technology companies, giving us a unique perspective into IP and tech-driven M&A deals.
- Represent all types of interested parties in M&A transactions, including buyers, sellers, boards of directors, special committees, significant investors, private equity and venture capital firms, financial advisors and financing sources.

THE WILMERHALE DIFFERENCE

- Partner focus
- Creativity to solve the most complex problems and bridge gaps
- Focus on long-term relationships
- Commitment to efficiency and value
- Willingness to share risk through alternative fee arrangements



Recommended for
Mergers & Acquisitions
The Legal 500 US

2013-2025



Among the Leading
Mergers & Acquisitions Practices
Chambers USA

2012-2025



Recognized as a Top
Mergers & Acquisitions Practice
U.S. News – Best Lawyers

2010-2025

SELECT RECENT EXPERIENCE

- **Acacia Communications** – acquisition by Cisco Systems for **\$4.5 billion**
- **Adore Me** – acquisition by Victoria’s Secret & Co. for **\$700 million** (including post-closing payments)
- **Affirmed Networks** – acquisition by Microsoft for **\$1.4 billion**
- **Akamai Technologies** – numerous acquisitions including Linode for **\$900 million**, Guardicore for **\$600 million**, and Noname Security for **\$450 million**
- **Akouos** – acquisition by Eli Lilly for up to **\$610 million**
- **AltioStar Networks** – acquisition by Rakuten Group for **\$1 billion**
- **Bottomline Technologies** (co-counsel) – acquisition by Thoma Bravo for **\$2.6 billion**
- **Eaton Vance** – acquisition by Morgan Stanley for **\$7 billion**
- **Endurance** – acquisition by Clearlake Capital Group for **\$3 billion**
- **Forendo Pharma** – acquisition by Organon for **\$954 million**
- **Fortive** – acquisition of ServiceChannel for **\$1.2 billion**
- **General Catalyst** – merger of Livongo and Teladoc Health, valued at **\$18.5 billion**, and sale of its portfolio company Clarabridge for **\$1.125 billion**
- **Herb Chambers Companies** – acquisition by Asbury Automotive Group for **\$1.45 billion**
- **Houghton Mifflin Harcourt** – acquisition by affiliates of Veritas Capital for **\$2.8 billion**
- **MKS Instruments** – numerous acquisitions including the proposed acquisition of Coherent for **\$6.1 billion**
- **Nordstrom Family** – acquisition of Nordstrom by the Nordstrom family and Liverpool, valued at **\$6.25 billion**
- **Revvity** – numerous acquisitions and divestitures including the sale of its Applied, Food and Enterprise Services businesses to New Mountain Capital for **\$2.45 billion**, and the purchase of BioLegend for **\$5.25 billion**
- **SoFi** – acquisition of Galileo Financial Technologies for **\$1.2 billion**
- **TechTarget** – strategic combination with Informa for a transaction value in excess of **\$1.5 billion** (implied equity value)
- **The Tecan Group** – acquisition of Paramit Corporation for **\$1 billion**
- **Thermo Fisher Scientific** – numerous acquisitions and divestitures including the acquisition of Solvntum’s purification and filtration business for **\$4.0 billion**
- **TMX Group** – acquisition of VettaFi for **\$848 million**

TRANSACTION TYPES

- Domestic and cross-border
- Mergers
- Stock and asset acquisitions
- Dispositions
- Corporate auctions
- Tender and exchange offers
- Acquisitions of troubled companies
- Corporate reorganizations and restructurings
- Joint ventures
- Activist defense
- Leveraged and management buyouts
- Spin-offs
- SPAC (special purpose acquisition company) business combinations

725+

M&A transactions with a total value exceeding \$430 billion in the past decade

100+

publicly traded companies rely on our services as outside counsel

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