

Mergers and Acquisitions (M&A)

When it comes to helping our clients advance their business goals, King & Spalding knows every transaction is significant. From complex, high-value deals that shape markets to strategic transactions that sharpen a business's focus, we bring together our collective experience, global resources, and deep industry knowledge to help acquirors, sellers and targets successfully execute and close transactions – treating each we handle with an uncompromising approach to quality and service.

Each year, we advise on hundreds of transactions across the globe, including multi-billion-dollar public company M&A transactions, serial acquisitions, private equity and strategic investments for financial sponsors, and expansion and exit deals for middle market and smaller private companies. These clients turn to us because of our understanding of their business objectives and our straightforward, outward-oriented and personal approach.

Experience Across the M&A Spectrum.

We guide acquirors, sellers and targets through multiple types of M&A transactions, including:

- Domestic, cross-border and international mergers, acquisitions and dispositions
- Private equity and strategic investments
- Joint ventures
- Spin-offs, split-ups and carve-outs

We also advise our clients in:

- Corporate preparedness and anti-takeover strategies
- Responses to unsolicited bids, tender offers and proxy contests
- SPAC transactions

In addition to acting for principals in M&A transactions, we

Capability Lawyers



Timothy P. FitzSimons
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Recognition

Band 3 Top-rank for
Corporate M&A in UAE

CHAMBERS GLOBAL 2025

Ranked Band 1 for
Corporate M&A in Singapore

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"The team is very efficient in

also advise:

- Special committees and individual directors
- Financials advisors and other professionals
- Financing sources

Connections to the Right Resources.

The breadth of our practice allows us to complement our core M&A teams with coordinated advice across more than 50 legal areas.

We tailor each cross-practice team we assemble around the client, the transaction and the guiding business objectives — regularly collaborating with our colleagues experienced in capital markets, tax, executive compensation and benefits, intellectual property, global human capital, and data, privacy and security.

Our M&A team draws upon our practices in Trial and Global Disputes — where we have a remarkable record of success for our clients, both inside and outside the courtroom — and Government Matters — where we leverage decades of prior government service and industry expertise to provide our clients with insight in their most complex regulatory and enforcement challenges, including antitrust, national security, international trade and government investigations.

Clients benefit from our combination of our broad, global capabilities with deep-seated business and sector knowledge across several priority industries, issues and regulatory frameworks, including technology, energy, life sciences, healthcare, real estate, transportation and logistics, financial services, aerospace and defense, among others that frequently come into play in our clients' transactions.

Cases & Deals

April 15, 2025

King & Spalding Represents Atlas in Its Approximately £263 Million Acquisition of De La Rue

March 28, 2025

King & Spalding advises Blackstone Infrastructure on £235m Acquisition of Minority Stake in AGS Airports

March 26, 2025

Terrestrial Energy to Become First Publicly Traded Molten Salt Nuclear Reactor Developer Through Combination with HCM II Acquisition Corp.

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Insights

CLIENT ALERT

February 25, 2025

M&A negotiations and in finding practical solutions."

CLIENT QUOTE,
CHAMBERS USA 2024

Ranked Band 1
Corporate/M&A in Singapore

CHAMBERS ASIA-PACIFIC
2025

Named to Top Foreign Law
Firms List

INDIA BUSINESS LAW
JOURNAL 2024

Top Ranked for M&A and
Private Equity

THE LEADERS LEAGUE
FRANCE 2024

Top Ranked for M&A and
Private Equity

IFLR 1000 2024

Ranked Tier 1 for
Commercial, Corporate and
M&A in Saudi Arabia

LEGAL 500 EMEA 2024

"They are best in class and
have the resources to tackle
nearly any problem and
answer any question."

CLIENT QUOTE,
CHAMBERS USA 2024

Ranked Highly Regarded for
Corporate/M&A

CHAMBERS USA 2024

Top Ranked Private Equity
Buyouts

LEGAL 500 US 2023

The Art of the Deal: Key Human Capital Considerations When Navigating M&A Transactions Under the Trump Administration

ARTICLE

January 13, 2025

Preparing For Mexican Drug Cartels' Terrorist Designation

CLIENT ALERT

January 9, 2025

Record "Gun Jumping" Penalty Imposed by FTC

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Events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

March 28, 2025

Mark Schlackman and Taylor Robbins to Speak at CLE webinar series

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

March 20, 2025

Mark Schlackman and Taylor Robbins to Speak at CLE course

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

March 20, 2025

Salome Cissal de Ugarte to Speak at Brussels' Competition Law Conference

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News

IN THE NEWS

April 15, 2025

K&S advises Atlas Holdings on its £263M acquisition of currency printer De La Rue

RECOGNITION

April 11, 2025

Meshaal Alyahya Named a Law Middle East 2025 Rising Star

IN THE NEWS

April 10, 2025

Laurent Bensaid, Agnieszka Opalach, Nicolas Richard, Victor Dumesnil, Alice Mony, Léo Theillac, Olivier Goldstein, Alexandre Chagneau and Johanna Baccarani advise the founding shareholders, managers and financiers of Apside on its acquisition agreement with CGI

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Top Ranked Venture Capital and Emerging Companies

LEGAL 500 US 2024

Ranked Tier 1 M&A: Middle Market

LEGAL 500 US 2024

"I have not found a better firm for mid-market M&A than King & Spalding."

CLIENT QUOTE, LEGAL 500 US 2024

"Excellent quality talent on the team. Focused on the right issues and aligned with clients on what those are."

CLIENT QUOTE, LEGAL 500 US 2024
