

Public Companies

Public Companies face unique challenges when navigating complex transactions, high-stakes disputes, and other strategic and business-related matters -- from disclosure obligations and governance requirements to scrutiny from regulators, institutional investors, stock exchanges and the media. King & Spalding's Public Companies team brings together resources across our firm to guide public companies and their boards of directors, executive management and legal departments on the matters that drive their business strategies forward.

Our core team advises public company clients on matters involving:

- Mergers & acquisitions
- Capital markets and corporate finance
- Corporate governance, disclosure, and stakeholder engagement, including Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG)
- SEC and stock exchange reporting obligations and disclosure issues
- Activism and takeover defense
- Proxy access
- Special Purpose Acquisition Companies (SPACs)

Our public company clients also benefit from our integration with our teams in other areas critical to their transactions and disputes:

- Antitrust
- Employee benefits and executive compensation
- Crisis Management
- Data, Privacy and Security
- Environmental matters
- Global Human Capital & Compliance
- Labor
- Intellectual Property
- Securities Enforcement and Regulation
- Securities Litigation

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Cases & Deals

March 26, 2025

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

February 25, 2025

Sysco Corporation completes \$1.25 Billion Senior Notes Offering

November 12, 2024

An Affiliate of Tres Energy LLC to Acquire Adams Resources & Energy, Inc. in Take Private Transaction

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Insights

CLIENT ALERT

March 25, 2025

Comparing the Business-Focused Courts of Delaware, Texas, and Nevada

ARTICLE

March 5, 2025

DOJ Continues Cybersecurity False Claims Act Enforcement in New Administration

CLIENT ALERT

March 4, 2025

No Fines, Penalties, or Enforcement with BOI Reporting Deadline; Forthcoming Rule Will Narrow the Scope of CTA Requirements to Foreign Reporting Companies Only

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Events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

January 28, 2025

Elizabeth Morgan to Speak at 2025 Securities Regulation Institute

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

January 22, 2024

Dixie Johnson to Chair and Elizabeth Morgan to Speak at the 51st Securities Regulation Institute Conference

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

October 25, 2023

Rod Rosenstein, Sally Yates to Speak at Retail Industry Leaders Association's Retail Law Conference

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News

IN THE NEWS

March 26, 2025

Kevin Manz, Tim FitzSimons, Meredith O'Leary, John Sweet, Scott Petty, Jerome Hughes and Nick Mattone counsel HCM II Acquisition Corp. on its \$925M SPAC merger with Terrestrial Energy

IN THE NEWS

March 17, 2025

Jonathan Newton, Trevor Pinkerton, Zack Davis, Rishika Sengupta, Savannah Padgett, Shelby Williams, Craig Phillips, Kim Cagle, Maureen Sweeney, Russell Sacks and Steven Blau advise Sysco Corporation on its \$1.25B senior notes offering

IN THE NEWS

March 3, 2025

Chris Campbell, Bob Cooper, Britt Davis, Ross Elfand, Patrick Lafferty, Rahul Sarkar and Matt Wood advise PANDA Interactive on the filing of its amended complaints against Genius Sports and Sportradar, which accuses both companies of anti-competitive conduct in the sports betting market

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