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David Plewa concentrates in mergers and acquisitions, and corporate and international taxation.

David advises startups and provides general business counseling. He plans, negotiates and drafts documents related to forming, financing, operating, reorganizing and dissolving corporations, limited liability companies and partnerships.

David also drafts tax opinions and tax descriptions for SEC filings. He provides tax planning and structuring advice regarding domestic and international mergers and acquisitions. David has represented corporate and individual clients regarding income and sales and use tax audits.

David assists businesses with their legal needs related to major lifetime transactions, including choice of entity, business formation, equity and debt financings, restructurings, tax audits, licensing, M&A and liquidations. His M&A experience includes well over 500 M&A transactions with a deal value in excess of US\$30 billion.

RELATED SERVICES

- Tax
- Corporate
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Global Investment Funds
- Private Equity
- Tax Controversy and Disputes
- Transactional Tax Planning

EXPERIENCE

Some recent transactions include representation of, or assistance to:

- Vocalocity in its sale to Vonage
- Wecomply in its sale to Thomson Reuters
- CitizenHawk in its sale to Wolters Kluwer
- Alert Logic, Inc. in connection with the sale of a majority equity stake to Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe
- Unitrends in connection with the sale of equity to Insight Partners
- JDS Uniphase in connection with its US\$575 million convertible note offering
- OptiMedica in its sale to Abbott Laboratories
- Marchex in connection with an IRS private letter ruling for a proposed spin-off transaction
- Triton Pacific in connection with its sale of Alegis Care to Cigna

- RetailMeNot, Inc in connection with its initial public offering
- iGo in connection with a tender offer by Steel Partners Holdings
- JouleX in its sale to Cisco
- Laureate Education, Inc. in its joint venture with Thunderbird School of Global Management
- Silicon Labs Singapore subsidiary's acquisition of Norway based Energy Micro
- Western Alliance Bancorporation in acquisition of Centennial Bank
- Hendricks & Partners in its sale to Berkadia
- Imagination Technologies in its acquisition of MIPS
- vCider in its sale to Cisco
- Astria Semiconductor in its sale to FormFactor
- Meritage Homes in connection with its US\$126 million note offering
- Silicon Labs in its US\$230 million credit facility
- Silicon Labs in its US\$72 million purchase of Ember
- Larry Ellison in his acquisition of the island of Lanai
- Groupon in a number of small acquisitions
- Tappan Street (Taco Mac) in connection with an investment by CIC
- Convio in its US\$325 million sale to Blackbaud
- Austin Ventures in its US\$320 million purchase of Compupay and BenefitMall

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- California

Recognitions

The Legal 500 United States has repeatedly recognized David for his tax practice.

Education

- J.D., University of Michigan 1987
- B.B.A., University of Michigan 1982

INSIGHTS

Publications

Bitcoin is property, not currency, IRS says – Notice leaves many open questions about convertible virtual currencies

3 APR 2014

IRS says virtual currencies, such as bitcoin, should be treated as “property” rather than “currency” for US federal income tax purposes.

NEWS

DLA Piper advises New Signature in acquisition of Nebbia Technology

20 MAY 2019

DLA Piper represented New Signature, a Washington, DC-based provider of Microsoft technologies, in its acquisition of Nebbia Technology, a consulting provider focused on Microsoft's Azure cloud computing platform.

DLA Piper advises Summit Infrastructure Group in majority investment by SDC Capital Partners

18 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Summit Infrastructure Group, Inc. (SummitIG), a network solutions and bandwidth infrastructure provider, in the sale of a majority stake in the company to SDC Capital Partners.

DLA Piper advises Custom Ink in its recapitalization by Great Hill Partners

5 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Custom Ink, a leader in custom apparel for groups, companies and communities, in its recapitalization by private equity firm Great Hill Partners.

DLA Piper advises Summit Infrastructure Group in its majority recapitalization by SDC Capital Partners

11 JAN 2019

DLA Piper represented Summit Infrastructure Group, Inc., a network solutions and bandwidth infrastructure provider, in its majority recapitalization by SDC Capital Partners.

DLA Piper advises BuildingConnected in US\$275 million sale to Autodesk

27 DEC 2018

DLA Piper represented BuildingConnected, a construction software provider, in its sale to software company Autodesk for US\$275 million.

DLA Piper represents Accruent in acquisition of Lucernex

10 AUG 2017

DLA Piper represented Accruent, LLC, a leading provider of software and services that enable organizations to shape, drive, manage and control their physical assets, in its acquisition of Lucernex, Inc.

DLA Piper advises Greensmith Energy Management Systems in US\$170 million acquisition by Wartsila

7 JUL 2017

DLA Piper represented Greensmith Energy Management Systems Inc., the developer of an energy storage software solution, in its acquisition by Wartsila, a Finnish manufacturer of marine and energy power sources, for US\$170 million. The acquisition, which was first announced in May, closed July 3.
