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Randy Socol is focusing his practice on the corporate representation of established and emerging growth companies in the technology, biotechnology, media/entertainment, consumer product, clean technology and medical device sectors and the venture capital firms, corporate and strategic investors and acquirors that finance and/or acquire these companies.

In addition to providing strategic and corporate counseling, his practice encompasses venture capital financings, mergers and acquisitions, debt financings, public offerings, equity and compensation matters and corporate governance.

Randy currently splits his time between DLA Piper's San Diego and Los Angeles offices and is the Co-Chair of the firm's US Emerging Growth and Venture Capital practice, as well as a founding member of the firm's Corporate Venture Leadership Group.

## EXPERIENCE

Randy has represented emerging growth companies and venture capital and strategic investors in more than 500 equity and debt financing transactions. Randy's representation of emerging growth companies, including in connection with financing transactions led by some of the world's leading venture capital and corporate investors, has included 17Hats, AbVitro, Inc., aTyr Pharma, Inc., Cardiff Software, Inc., Ceregene, Inc., ClearAccess, Inc., Cloudbeds, Cursive Labs, EdgeCast Networks, Inc., Entropic Communications, Inc., Epic Sciences, Inc., Eventful, Inc., Gehry Technologies, Inc., Global Analytics Holdings, Inc., HealthMine, Inc., LLamasoft, Inc., MedVantx, Inc., MindTouch, Inc., Modular Wind Energy, Inc., mPulse Mobile, Inc., NovaDigm Therapeutics, Ossic Corporation, RetailNext, Inc., Renova Therapeutics, Inc., Sentrian, Inc., SmartRG, Inc., SpiderCloud Wireless, Inc., StackIQ, Inc., StarMaker Interactive, Inc., TakeLessons.com, Zebit, Inc., Zeakal, Inc. and Zyomed Corp.

Randy has also represented venture capital firms and strategic investors in debt and equity financing transactions with emerging growth companies, including AIG, Angeleno Group, Boston Consulting Group Digital Ventures, Cambia Health Solutions, DCM, DFJ Frontier, Draper Fisher Jurvetson, dRx Capital (Novartis and Qualcomm joint fund), Elysian Park Ventures, Enterprise Partners Venture Capital, Finistere Ventures, Keshif Ventures, KohFounders, Life Technologies Corporation, McKesson Ventures, Mission Ventures, MK Capital, NIKE, Inc., Qualcomm Ventures, Qualcomm Life, Revolution Growth, Rustic Canyon Ventures,

## RELATED SERVICES

- Corporate
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Emerging Growth and Venture Capital
- Capital Markets
- Intellectual Property and Technology
- International Trade, Regulatory and Government Affairs

## RELATED SECTORS

- Life Sciences

Siemer Ventures, Steamboat Ventures, Tavistock, Upfront Ventures, Voyager Capital and Wavemaker Partners.

Randy also regularly represents both selling companies and acquirors in merger and acquisition transactions, including the representation of numerous companies in sell-side transactions constituting successful liquidation events, such as EdgeCast Networks in its acquisition by Verizon, AbVitro, Inc. in its acquisition by Juno Therapeutics, Eventful, Inc. in its acquisition by CBS, Ceregene, Inc. in its acquisition by Sangamo BioSciences, Gehry Technologies in its acquisition by Trimble Navigation, Dot Wireless in its acquisition by Texas Instruments, Inc., Cardiff Software, Inc. in its acquisition by Verity, Inc. and ClearAccess, Inc. in its acquisition by Cisco Systems, Inc. Randy has also regularly represented acquirors such as QUALCOMM Incorporated, NIKE, Inc. and Life Technologies Corporation in acquisition transactions. Notable recent acquisition have included the representation of QUALCOMM Incorporated in its acquisitions of Flarion Technologies, Capsule Technologies, KMeI Robotics, Black Sands Technologies and Healthy Circles, as well as in acquisitions of assets from RF Micro Devices, Advanced Micro Devices and Rapid Bridge.

Randy has also represented issuers in IPOs and other public offerings of companies, as well as managing underwriters such as JPMorgan, Lehman Brothers Inc., Needham and Company, LLC and UBS Warburg LLC in various public offerings

## CREDENTIALS

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### Admissions

- California

### Recognitions

*Legal 500* has recognized Randy for his venture capital and emerging companies practice.

*Chambers* has recognized Randy as "Up and Coming" for his venture capital practice and is noted by sources for his "expansive knowledge and valuable attention to detail."

### Education

- J.D., University of Michigan 1999
- B.A., Northwestern University 1996  
History

### Memberships

- California and San Diego County Bar Associations
- Pro Bono Counsel for the UCSD Entrepreneur Challenge
- BIOCOM
- San Diego Venture Group Board of Directors
- EyoNexus

## NEWS

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### DLA Piper represents Locana in US\$55 million Series A financing

23 MAY 2019

DLA Piper represented Locana, Inc. in a US\$55 million round of Series A financing led by ARCH Venture Partners, with participation from existing investors Temasek and Lightstone Ventures.

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**DLA Piper advises Qualcomm in sale of Qualcomm Life to Francisco Partners**

12 FEB 2019

DLA Piper represented Qualcomm in the sale of Qualcomm Life, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Qualcomm Incorporated that offers end-to-end medical device connectivity, to private equity firm Francisco Partners.

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**Three DLA Piper attorneys named to *San Diego 500* list of influential business leaders**

2 JAN 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Michael Brown, Lisa Haile and Randy Socol have been named to the *San Diego Business Journal's 2018 San Diego 500: The Book of Influential Business Leaders*.

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