



Venture and Growth Lending

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Our Venture Lending practice advises banks, public, private and SBIC credit funds and BDCs in their activities with early- and mid-stage (pre-seed – series B+) venture capital-backed companies, including domestic and international receivables, inventory and recurring revenue-based lines of credit, term loans and equipment financing facilities, and related warrants and equity rights, to help them scale operations and extend runway to their next equity round or an M&A event.

Our Growth Lending practice advises banks and private credit funds in their activities with later-stage venture backed and private equity backed companies, including senior and mezzanine (1L/2L) term loan facilities, acquisition and buyout facilities, cash-flow facilities, asset-based lines of credit, hybrid debt and equity facilities, pre-IPO convertible notes and other structured debt arrangements to enable them to reach profitability, an M&A event, a recap or an IPO.

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