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Kevin Criddle's practice focuses on securities and corporate finance, mergers and acquisitions, venture capital and private equity investments and general corporate counseling.

In addition to advising clients on corporate governance matters, Kevin routinely assists his clients in a wide variety of strategic transactions, debt and equity offerings, domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, public offerings and SEC reporting matters. He represents companies in a wide range of sectors, including technology, real estate, life sciences, transportation, retail, food, manufacturing, healthcare, e-commerce, renewable energy and financial services.

Kevin also advises non-profit organizations, including Make-A-Wish America and Make-A-Wish International, on domestic and international governance, structure, tax-exemption and corporate transactions.

- Public Company and Corporate Governance
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Emerging Growth and Venture Capital
- Corporate

Spanish

## LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- Spanish

## SELECTED CAPITAL MARKETS TRANSACTIONS

- SmartRent, Inc. (NYSE: SMRT) in its US\$2.2 billion initial public offering via reverse merger with Fifth Wall Acquisition Corp. I (Nasdaq: FWAA)
- Verra Mobility Corporation (Nasdaq: VRRM) in its US\$2.4 billion initial public offering via reverse merger with Gores Holdings II Inc. (Nasdaq: GHST), US\$215 million secondary offering, US\$118 million secondary offering and \$US100 million stock repurchase
- Adaptive Biotechnologies Corporation (Nasdaq: ADPT) in its US\$345 million initial public offering and US\$368 million follow-on offering (including \$80 million secondary)
- Roth Capital Partners, LLC in an underwritten secondary offering by certain stockholders of Quest Resource Holdings Corporation
- Offerpad Solutions, Inc. (NYSE: OPAD) in its US\$400 million credit facility and US\$50 million mezzanine facility

- Verde Investments, Inc. in US\$1.25 billion of secondary sales of Carvana Co. Class A Common Stock
- Mesa Air Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: MESA) in its US\$132 million initial public offering
- The underwriters in a US\$82 million initial public offering of Trupanion, Inc. (NYSE: TRUP)
- Universal Technical Institute (NYSE: UTI) in a US\$60.5 million primary offering and US\$22.5 million secondary offering
- Verra Mobility Corporation (Nasdaq: VRRM) in the repricing of its US\$894 million first lien term loan
- Everi Holdings Inc. (NYSE: EVRI) in its US\$375 million Rule 144A offering of senior unsecured notes
- Erickson Air-Crane Incorporated (Nasdaq: EAC) in its US\$250 million acquisition of Evergreen Helicopters, US\$400 million Rule 144A note offering, and US\$125 million credit facility
- The underwriters in a US\$75 million initial public offering of TriState Capital Holdings (Nasdaq: TSC)
- StorageVault Canada (TSX-V: SVI), a Canadian issuer, on U.S. securities matters in its US\$108 million private placement
- The underwriters in a US\$69 million shelf takedown offering for Fidelity Southern Corporation (Nasdaq: LION)
- The underwriters in a US\$38 million initial public offering of Erickson Air-Crane (Nasdaq: EAC)
- Tidewater Midstream and Infrastructure Ltd. (TSX-V: TWM), a Canadian issuer, on US securities matters in its US\$53 million private placement

## SELECTED MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS

- PopCap Games, Inc. in its US\$1.3 billion acquisition by Electronic Arts Inc. (Nasdaq: EA)
- Verra Mobility Corporation in its US\$118 million acquisition of Redflex Holdings Limited (ASX: RDF)
- Fortive Corporation (NYSE: FTV) in its acquisition of Global Traffic Technologies, Inc.
- Alliance Residential Company in the US\$200 million sale of its property management business to Greystar Real Estate Partners
- Nexvet Biopharma plc (Nasdaq: NVET) in its acquisition by Zoetis Inc. (NYSE: ZTS)
- Verra Mobility Corporation in its cross-border acquisition of Pagatelia S. L. (Spain)
- Transdev on Demand, Inc. in its divestiture of SuperShuttle International, Inc.
- Avalara, Inc. (NYSE: AVLR) in its acquisition of Zy Tax, Inc.
- Inventure Foods, Inc. (Nasdaq: SNAK) in its US\$165 million acquisition by Utz Quality Foods, LLC
- Adtalem Global Education Inc. (NYSE: ATGE), formerly DeVry Education Group, in its divestiture of three European subsidiaries
- Imperium Renewables, Inc. in its acquisition by Renewable Energy Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: REGI)
- Walk Score Inc. in its acquisition by Redfin Corporation (Nasdaq: RDFN)
- Univar, Inc. (NYSE: UNVR) in its cross-border acquisition of Quimicompuestos, S.A. de C.V. (Mexico)
- SonicWALL, Inc. in its acquisition by Dell Inc. (Nasdaq: DELL)

## SELECTED PUBLIC REPORTING '34 ACT CLIENTS

- SmartRent, Inc.
- lululemon athletica
- Verra Mobility Corporation
- Adaptive Biotechnologies Corporation
- Universal Technical Institute
- Everi Holdings
- Mesa Air Group
- Nexvet Biopharma
- OncoCyte Corporation

## CREDENTIALS

## Admissions

- Arizona
- Washington

## Recognitions

Kevin has been named a "Rising Star" by the *Southwest Super Lawyer* listings for 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 and the *Washington Super Lawyer* listings for 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021.

## Prior Experience

- Summer Associate, DLA Piper
- Judicial Extern for the Honorable Edward F. Shea, United States District Court, Eastern District of Washington (2008)

## Education

- J.D., University of Washington School of Law
- B.A., Accounting, Washington State University  
Presidential Honors

## Memberships

- State Bar of Arizona
- Washington State Bar Association
- American Bar Association

## INSIGHTS

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Kevin is a contributor to The Venture Alley, a blog about business and legal issues important to entrepreneurs, startups, venture capitalists and angel investors.

## Publications

- Author, "A Founder's Guide to Making a Section 83(b) Election ," *DLA Piper*, September 14, 2016
- Author, "So Your Fund Wants to Invest in Canada, Eh?," *DLA Piper*, July 7, 2016
- Contributor, "Assigning Contracts in the Context of M&A Transactions," *DLA Piper*, October 24, 2012
- Contributor, "Section 83(b) Election, A Founder's Best Friend ," *DLA Piper*, February 1, 2011

## Events

- Presenter, "Ethics – Who is Your Client: Navigating the Board vs. Senior Management" (Association of Corporate Counsel, April 2018)

## NEWS

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### DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2020

30 April 2020

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 67 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2020

in the United States and May 1, 2020 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions have been made across many of the firm's practice areas in 35 different offices throughout 13 countries.

Across the firm's practices globally, Corporate saw the largest intake of new partners with 19 promotions, followed by Litigation and Regulatory with 15. Intellectual Property and Technology and Finance and Projects had ten and eight promotions respectively, while there were six in Real Estate. Tax and Employment both had four, and there was one in Restructuring.

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## MEDIA MENTIONS

- "3 Firms Build SPAC Deal For \$2.2B Real Estate Tech Provider," *Law360*, April 22, 2021