



### Travis Leach

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Travis Leach uses his legal acumen and years of experience to serve as a trusted business partner to his clients. Thanks to his work with companies at all stages of growth, he has become a well-connected member of Phoenix's business community. Travis is on the leadership team for the firm's Emerging Growth and Venture Capital practice.

Many of the matters Travis works on are critical to his clients' long-term success. He focuses his practice on corporate and transactional matters, with an emphasis on public offerings, private placements, corporate governance matters, SEC compliance, and mergers and acquisitions. He represents a number of public and private companies in a variety of industries, including technology, finance, manufacturing, and mortgage banking.

Travis also has significant experience advising sports franchises and their ownership groups in transactional matters. His advice has led them to maximize their assets and safeguard against risk.

- Corporate
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Capital Markets
- Emerging Growth and Venture Capital
- Corporate and Securities Litigation

- MSE Today

## SECURITIES

- Publicly held companies in public and private offerings of debt
- Publicly held companies in public offerings of common stock and preferred stock
- Public companies in ongoing SEC compliance and reporting obligations
- Public companies in corporate aspects of regulatory and internal investigations

## MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS, PRIVATE EQUITY, AND VENTURE CAPITAL

- A national venture capital firm in \$30 million in transactions
- An Arizona-based venture capital firm in \$15 million in Fintech financing rounds
- A national leader in insurance-product wholesaling in the formation of a venture fund

- A semiconductor company in its sale to a strategic buyer
- A private equity firm in the purchase of common stock and preferred financing in a successful Silicon Valley-based technology company
- A distributor of healthcare and supplies in a \$25 million round of early-stage financing
- A developer of GPS applications in a \$19 million investment from strategic investors
- An NYSE-listed leading provider of risk management products for the financial industry in its acquisition of a title company
- A private manufacturing company in its \$150 million sale to a NYSE-listed public company
- A professional sports franchise in the sale of an interest in the team to an international investment group
- Multiple professional sports franchises in the sale of interests to strategic investors
- The majority owner of a professional baseball franchise in his group's acquisition of a NASCAR franchise
- A professional football franchise in its restructuring

## CREDENTIALS

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### Admissions

- Arizona

### Clerk Experience

The Honorable Earl H. Carroll, US District Court for the District of Arizona, 2003-2004

### Recognitions

- Recognized in *AzBusiness Leaders* magazine, December 2019
- Recognized in *AzBusiness Leaders* magazine in the Sports Lawyers category, 2019
- Named "Highly Regarded—Arizona" by *FLR 1000* for M&A, 2018 and 2019
- Named by *The M&A Advisor* as a winner of its Emerging Leaders Award, legal adviser category, 2017
- Recognized in the *Phoenix Business Journal's* 40 Under 40 class of 2016
- Named a Top Lawyer in Arizona for business/corporate law, mergers and acquisitions, and securities/corporate finance in multiple editions of *Ranking Arizona: The Best of Arizona Business*
- Named a Super Lawyers "Rising Star," multiple years

### Education

- J.D., University of Miami School of Law  
Dean's List for Academic Achievement;  
Fellow, Center for Ethics and Public Service;  
Member, Who's Who of America's Law Students
- B.S., Justice Studies, Arizona State University
- Member, Who's Who of America's College Students

### Memberships

- American Bar Association
- State Bar of Arizona
- Maricopa County Bar Association
- Sports Lawyers Association

- Arizona Technology Council
- Arizona Governor's Council on Spinal and Head Injuries
- Arizona Coyotes Foundation
- Veteran Tickets Foundation (national nonprofit, nongovernmental organization devoted to giving back to the US military and veterans)
- Advisory Board, Arizona State University's Sports Law and Business Program
- Sun Devil Club Board, Arizona State University
- Tallwave High Tide

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

- "4 Tips for Getting Off to a Good Startup," *Arizona Big Media*, April 19, 2017
- "Wide World of Sports Law: Keeping up with the Corporate Takeover of Sports," chapter in *Understanding Sports Law: Leading Lawyers on Navigating the Wide World of Sports Law: Contracts, Employment, Wealth Management, and Intellectual Property*, Thomson Reuters' Aspatore Books *Inside the Minds*™ series, 2014

### Events

- "The Sports Industry in 2025: Regulatory, Revenue and Reputational Issues in the Future of Intercollegiate and Professional Athletics," Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law Annual Conference on Sports Law and Business Program, Arizona State University, March 12-13, 2015
- "Liability and Other Legal Issues Surrounding the Management and Treatment of mTBI Patients of All Ages," Third Annual Current Topics in Sports Medicine & Concussions Symposium, March 13, 2013
- Panelist, "Collective Bargaining Agreements" and "Concussions and Sports Litigation," Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law Annual Conference on Sports and Entertainment Law, Arizona State University, October 22, 2012
- "Concussions in Sports," Mayo Clinic Symposium, September 2012
- Panelist, "Collective Bargaining Agreements – The Big 4" and "Sports Agent Regulation," Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law Annual Conference on Sports and Entertainment Law, Arizona State University, November 5, 2011

## NEWS

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### **DLA Piper advises RetireUp in its sale to Tegra118**

15 June 2020

DLA Piper represented RetireUp, a leading provider of retirement planning technology, in its recent sale to Tegra118.

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### **DLA Piper advises DT Holdings Corporation in the US\$350 million sale of Docutech to First American**

3 March 2020

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the firm represented DT Holdings Corporation in Docutech's US\$350 million sale to First American.

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