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Gerry Williams represents private equity funds, Fortune 1000 corporations, and Special Purpose Acquisition Corporations (SPACs) in domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, and securities, finance, and corporate governance matters.

- Private Equity
- Corporate

Gerry has counselled his clients in connection with transactions involving aggregate consideration exceeding US \$15 billion in the last five years. He has also counseled multiple clients in structuring entities to be certified as minority business enterprises.

Gerry is a member of the US Executive and Policy Committees, Vice Chair of the Private Equity Group Southeast, and Managing Partner for the Atlanta office.

PRIVATE EQUITY

- DC-based RLJ Equity Partners and its portfolio companies in transactions involving LAI International, Fleischmann's Vinegar, MediaSource, MarketCast, Thompson Trucking, EnviroVac, ProVac, Native Maine, CrossFuze, Naylor, Ogle School, Growers House, Flow Services and numerous other transactions that were not closed
- An LA-based private equity fund with US\$1.5 billion under management in multiple M&A and finance transactions
- A New York-based private equity fund with US\$2.6 billion under management and its portfolio companies in multiple transactions involving consideration in excess of US\$1.5 billion
- A Boston-based private equity fund with US\$100 million under management and its portfolio companies in transactions in the franchising industry involving consideration in excess of \$500 million
- A private equity fund in the acquisition of a government-owned beverage company based in Beijing
- Multiple independent sponsors in connection with multiple M&A and finance transactions

SPACS/CORPORATE

- Athena Technology Acquisition Corporation in its initial business combination with a US\$2.0 billion enterprise value
- Armada Acquisition Corporation in its initial business combination with a US\$1.75 billion enterprise value
- Legacy Acquisition Corporation in its initial business combination
- ShoulderUp Technology Acquisition Corporation in its initial public offering of US\$300 million
- A US\$1.2 billion Taiwan-based public company in connection with M&A transactions and general corporate matters
- A US\$1 billion revenue Florida-based public company in multiple M&A transactions in the transportation and logistics industry
- A US\$1 billion publicly-traded business development company and its portfolio companies in multiple M&A and finance transactions
- A China-based public company in the leveraged acquisition of a consumer electronic products company with revenue of US\$150 million
- A US public company in the acquisition of a staffing company based in Shanghai, China

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- Georgia

Recognitions

Gerry has been named an On the Rise Attorney by the *Fulton County Daily Report*. He has also been named a Georgia Super Lawyers Rising Star. Additionally, Gerry has been recognized by *The Legal 500 United States*

Education

- J.D., Indiana University Maurer School of Law 1995
- B.B.A. / M.I.S., University of Georgia 1992

Memberships

- American Bar Association
- Georgia Bar Journal, Editorial Board
- Georgia SBA Network, Member, Advisory Council
- Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce: Economic Development Committee and Global Commerce Council
- National Bar Association
- National Association of Corporate Directors

Civic and Charitable

- Pro Bono Partnership of Atlanta, Member of the Advisory Committee

INSIGHTS

Events

- Presenter, Deal Sourcing, Financing and Closing Strategies for Independent Sponsors, July 25, 2019 (Expert Webcast)