



→ Michael R. Wilson

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Michael Wilson is a partner in the Corporate Practice Group in the firm's Chicago office and a Leader of the firm's Private Equity Team.

Areas of Practice

Mike is an experienced dealmaker, having successfully guided clients to closing hundreds of transactions. Mike focuses on mergers and acquisitions, debt finance transactions, venture capital transactions and general corporate matters, and his experience ranges from traditional business transactions to highly complex, highly customized transactions, such as joint ventures, multi-phase restructurings, and company startup and growth transactions. He works with private equity funds and venture capital funds, startups and entrepreneurs, banks and non-bank lenders, and other public and private businesses. He has significant private equity experience, including with small business investment companies (SBICs), representing funds and limited partners in portfolio investments, limited partner investments, fund formation and SBIC licensing. Mike frequently works with companies in the technology and healthcare sectors, and has also worked with companies in a wide variety of other industries, including energy transition, food and beverage, consumer products, fintech, insurtech and cannabis.

Honors

Leading Dealmakers in America List, *Lawdragon*, 2026

Notable M&A Dealmakers, *Crain's Chicago Business*, 2025

Notable Rising Stars in Law, *Crain's Chicago Business*, 2021

Experience

- Represented Vuuant, Inc., d/b/a care.ai in its sale to Stryker Corporation (NYSE: SYK).
- Represented Prospect Partners in its investment to acquire a controlling interest in Warren Roofing & Insulating, Cleveland Building Restoration ("CBR"), and Total Roofing Services.
- Represented Vapor Power International and affiliates in their sale to Thermon Group Holdings, Inc.
- Represented Chicago Pacific Founders as lead investor in a \$42.2 million PIPE offering by P3 Health Partners.
- Represented WellBe Senior Medical, an in-home healthcare provider, in its growth capital raise from strategic investors including CVS Health Growth Equity, Excellus Health Plan and Intermountain Ventures Fund.

- Represented a private equity fund in its acquisition of a controlling interest in a company specializing in pet microbiome.
- Represented a healthcare real estate investment fund in its acquisition of a management company from a living communities group.

Media Mentions

Healthcare Attys Turn Attention To Material Adverse Change
Law360, 04.30.2024

Sheppard Mullin PE hire attracted to 'energetic culture of collaboration'
IFLR, 04.23.2024

Speaking Engagements

- "2024 Florida Venture Capital Conference," February 1, 2024
- "SBIA: 2023 National Summit for Middle Market Funds," October 15, 2023
- "2023 Smart Business Dealmakers Conference," October 5, 2023
- "43rd Annual Ray Garrett Jr. Corporate & Securities Law Institute," October 5, 2023

Events

The Evolving M&A Landscape
Financing Buy-Side Deals in a Challenging M&A Climate
Union League Club of Chicago, 10.16.2024

Memberships

Member, Illinois Bar Association
Member, Chicago Bar Association
Vice Chair, Executives' Club of Chicago Membership Council

Practices

Corporate
Emerging Company & Venture Capital
Healthcare
Mergers and Acquisitions
Private Equity

Industries

Blockchain and Fintech

Cannabis

Energy, Infrastructure and Project Finance

Entertainment, Technology and Advertising

Food and Beverage

Healthcare

Life Sciences

Private Equity

Education

J.D., University of Illinois College of Law, 2010, *magna cum laude*

B.S., Public Administration, University of Arizona, 2007, *summa cum laude*, honors

Admissions

Illinois