

# Stephen T. Olson

## Partner

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Stephen Olson is widely recognized as one of the leading M&A lawyers in the country. He counsels clients in connection with public and private acquisition and divestiture transactions, complex joint ventures, registered offerings and private placements of debt and equity securities, as well as corporate governance and other general corporate matters. His clients include private equity firms, private and mature public companies, and investment banking firms.

He has worked with clients across a diverse number of industries including chemicals, manufacturing, health care, technology, finance, media, telecommunications, and energy.

Stephen maintains an active pro bono practice and regularly serves as outside legal advisor to one of the largest NGOs in the world. He works with international financial institutions, such as The World Bank and the International Monetary Fund (IMF), on projects related to advancing the rule of law and the safeguarding and stewardship of sovereign wealth in developing nations to help build sustainable infrastructures and improve basic living conditions.

Stephen is heavily involved in the local Houston community, serving on the board of directors of the Friends of West University Place Parks Fund and coaching several youth sports teams.

### Recognition

- *M&A Advisor*, Middle Market Deal of the Year Award (2010)
- *M&A Advisor*, Sector Deal of the Year (\$100 million to \$1 billion), technology, media, and telcom category (2012)
- Judge, *M&A Advisor* International M&A Awards (2015)
- "Rising Star": *New York Metro Super Lawyers* (2014-2017) and *Texas Super Lawyers* (2011, 2013-2017)



### Capabilities

Private Equity  
Mergers and Acquisitions

### Credentials

#### Education

University of Texas - 2006 Juris Doctor  
University of Georgia - 2002 B.A. Business Administration

#### Admissions

Texas Bar  
New York Bar