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Andreas Rief is an associate in the Frankfurt office of Gibson Dunn. He is a member of the firm's Private Equity and Mergers and Acquisitions Practice Groups.

Andreas advises financial and strategic investors on mergers and acquisitions, with a particular focus on private equity transactions. He also provides counsel on a broad range of corporate law matters. His practice includes advising on complex cross-border M&A, private equity and venture capital transactions across various industries.

Handelsblatt / The Best Lawyers™ 2026/2027 lists him among its “Ones to Watch” in Germany.

Andreas studied law at the University of Mannheim, Germany, and the University of Toronto, Canada. He holds a Master of Laws (LL.M.) from the University of Chicago Law School, where he also undertook coursework at the Booth School of Business. He has completed executive education at Harvard Law School, with a focus on leadership, finance, and business strategy for legal professionals. Andreas serves as a lecturer at the University of Mannheim.

Prior to joining Gibson Dunn, he worked as an associate of a renowned US law firm.

Andreas is fluent in German and English.

Experience:

Representative transactions* include advising:

- Management of Aareon in connection with Advent International’s and Aareal Bank’s sale of Aareon to TPG and Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (CDPQ)
- Advent International / INNIO in bidding process
- PAI Partners and Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan (OTPP) on their acquisition of Veonet from Nordic Capital
- Allianz X on its integration of finanzen Group into CLARK and its related investment in CLARK
- H.I.G. Capital on various transactions and bidding processes
- ECM Equity Capital Management / German Equity Partners on various transactions, including
    - on its sale of Intermate Group to SAMY Alliance, a portfolio company of Bridgepoint
    - on its sale of Uroviva to Affidea B.V., a portfolio company of Groupe

Capabilities

Private Equity

Emerging Companies / Venture Capital

Investment Funds

Mergers and Acquisitions

Credentials

Education

University of Chicago Law School - 2019 Master of Laws (LL.M.)

University of Mannheim - 2013 First State Exam

Admissions

Germany - Rechtsanwalt

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Bruxelles Lambert S.A.
    - on its sale of Apostroph Group to TransPerfect
    - on its majority investment in ACADEMY group
- Deutsche Private Equity (DPE) in connection with its sale of Primutec Solution Group
- LEA Partners (and its portfolio companies) on various transactions, including
    - on its acquisition of companies to form various portfolio groups, including OneQrew and SYNQONY
    - on its acquisition of easybill
    - on its strategic partnership with ORCA and integration with PROJEKT PRO and SOFTTECH
    - on its sale of SEMA to Bregal Unternehmerkapital
    - on its sale of IDL group to insightsoftware, a portfolio company of TA Associates and Genstar Capital
    - on its sale of BELLIN group to Coupa Software
- Levine Leichtman Capital Partners (LLCP) in various auction processes
- Shareholders of Heubach group on the partnership with SK Capital and their joint acquisition of Clariant’s pigments business
- Shareholders of Aicuris Anti?infective Cures on the sale to Asahi Kasei, through its subsidiary Veloxis Pharmaceuticals
- General Atlantic on various transactions, including
    - on its joint venture with TX Group, Ringier and La Mobilière to create SMG Swiss Marketplace Group
    - on its investment in AnyDesk in financing round together with existing investors Insight Partners, EQT Ventures and Possible Ventures
- Sartorius AG on various transactions, including its acquisition of select Danaher’s Life Science platform businesses in a mixed share/asset deal
- LGT on its investment in LIQID
- EMH Partners and co-investors on their sale of Native Instruments to Francisco Partners
- Oakley Capital’s portfolio company WindStar Medical on its acquisition of L.A.B Cosmetics
- Shareholders of pantera AG on their sale of majority stake to Nexity S.A.
- Management of Competence Call Center (CCC) group in connection with the sale of CCC to TELUS International
- Pamplona Capital Management on its acquisition and integration of Infiana Group into Loparex

** Includes experience prior to joining Gibson Dunn.*

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