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Jonathan Sapp is of counsel in the Dallas office of Gibson Dunn. His practice focuses on public and private mergers and acquisitions, private equity transactions, divestitures, carve-outs, joint ventures, and preferred equity investments. Jonathan has extensive experience advising major public companies, private equity firms and their portfolio companies in complex M&A transactions across a broad range of industries with a particular focus on the energy, infrastructure and manufacturing sectors.

Jonathan graduated *cum laude* from Harvard Law School in 2016. He received his B.S. *summa cum laude* from Texas Christian University in 2013.

Jonathan is an active member of the Dallas–Fort Worth legal community and a founding member of the Harvard Law School Alumni Association of Dallas–Fort Worth, where he currently serves as president and a member of its board of directors.

Representative Transactions?

- 89bio (Nasdaq: ENTB) in its \$3.5 billion sale to Roche
- Ardian in its approximately \$1 billion sale of the Hill Top Energy Center to Blackstone
- Aris Water Solutions (NYSE: ARIS) in its \$2 billion sale to Western Midstream Partners (NYSE: WES)
- Alcon (NYSE: ALC) in its \$1.5 billion acquisition of STAAR Surgical Company (Nasdaq: STAA)
- Diversified Energy (NYSE: DEC) in its \$1.275 billion acquisition of Maverick Natural Resources, a portfolio company of EIG Global Energy Partners
- Juniper Capital in the proposed sale of its upstream Rocky Mountain portfolio companies to Amplify Energy (NYSE: AMPY)
- Pioneer Natural Resources (NYSE: PXD) in its \$65 billion merger with a subsidiary of ExxonMobil (NYSE: XOM)
- Audax Management Company in several M&A transactions, including its acquisition of Aerospheres
- Coterra Energy (NYSE: CTRA) in its \$3.95 billion acquisition of Franklin Mountain Energy and Avant Natural Resources
- Centerbridge Partners in the sale of its majority interest in IPC to Strategic Value Partners
- Lone Star Funds in several transactions, including its sale of Meridian Brick
- Fortress Investment Group in its investment in Stellar Blu Solutions



Capabilities

Mergers and Acquisitions
Cleantech
Emerging Companies / Venture Capital
Energy and Infrastructure
Media, Entertainment, and Technology
Oil and Gas
Power and Renewables
Private Equity

Credentials

Education

Harvard University - 2016 Juris Doctor
Texas Christian University - 2013 Bachelor of Science

Admissions

Texas Bar

- AT&T (NYSE: T) in its joint venture with BlackRock to form a leading fiber telecommunications provider
- Freeman Spogli in its platform acquisition of WhiteWater Express
- Algonquin Power & Utilities (TSE: AQN) in its \$2.5 billion sale of its renewables business to LS Power
- SilverBow Resources (NYSE: SBOW) in its \$2.1 billion sale to Crescent Energy (NYSE: CRGY)
- CenterOak Partners in multiple M&A transactions, including its platform acquisition of Shamrock Environmental
- Daikin Industries and its subsidiary Goodman Manufacturing in over 15 public and private M&A transactions, including its joint venture with Copeland, a portfolio company of Blackstone, and the acquisition of publicly-traded CCOM Group, Inc.
- energyRe in its \$1.2 billion investment from Glentra Capital and Elia Group
- Patterson-UTI (Nasdaq: PTEN) in its \$5.4 billion merger of equals with NextTier (NYSE: NEX) and the sale of its well service rig business to Clearwell Dynamics
- ATL Partners in its acquisition of Valence Surface Technologies
- D.R. Horton (NYSE: DHI) in its \$291 million tender offer acquisition of Vilder Water Resources (Nasdaq: VWTR)
- Pharos Capital in its platform acquisition of Vantage Outsourcing
- Atlas Corp. (NYSE: ATCO) in its \$11 billion take-private transaction by a management and stockholder consortium
- Foundation Building Materials (NYSE: FBM) in its \$1.4 billion sale to American Securities
- Primoris (NYSE: PRIM) in its \$470 million acquisition of PLH Group
- Berkshire Residential Investments in its joint venture involving commercial mortgage-backed securities
- Pine Gate Renewables in several M&A transactions, including its \$650 million investment from Generate Capital and Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan
- USD Partners (NYSE: USDP) in the sale of its Casper, Wyoming rail terminal to Midstream Energy Partners
- Forterra (Nasdaq: FRTA) in its \$2.74 billion sale to Quikrete
- The management team of Ladish Valves in its sale to Oaktree Capital
- P10 (NYSE: PX) in its acquisition of Western Technology Investment, an alternative asset manager
- IRIS CRM in its sale to NMI, a portfolio company of Francisco Partners
- Blueknight Energy Partners (Nasdaq: BKEP) in several transactions, including its take-private transaction by Ergon and the sale of its terminal business to Enbridge
- Paceline Equity Partners in several co-investment transactions in connection with platform acquisitions

Recognition

- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America: Corporate Law and Mergers and Acquisitions Law, 2026*

Recent Publications / Speaking Engagements

- [*Joint Ventures Demystified—A Practitioner's Guide to Structuring Successful Partnerships*](#), Texas Law Book

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- *Impact of Upcoming Election on Corporate Law*, SMU Corporate Counsel Symposium

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