

# Matthew Schwartz

## Partner

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Matthew Schwartz is a partner in the New York office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. He is a member of Gibson Dunn's Mergers and Acquisitions, Private Equity and Sports Law Practice Groups.

Matthew regularly represents private equity firms, sovereign wealth funds and their portfolio companies on leveraged buyouts, growth equity investments and other transactions. Matthew's representative clients include MidOcean Partners, Quad-C Management, Epilog Partners, the Public Investment Fund of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (PIF), ATL Partners, KKR, Veritas Capital, Redbird Capital Partners, Investcorp, Blackstone and Littlejohn & Co., among others. Matthew has been recognized as "One to Watch" in Mergers and Acquisitions Law by *The Best Lawyers in America*®. Prior to joining Gibson Dunn, Matthew was an associate at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP in both its New York and Hong Kong offices, gaining significant experience in cross-border and international M&A.

In addition, Matthew has developed extensive experience in the technology, media, sports and entertainment sectors, and also served as the Chief Legal Officer of LIV Golf from January 2023 – November 2024. Matthew was named a Law360 Rising Star in Sports & Betting.

### Representative Mergers and Acquisitions and Private Equity Experience\*

- MidOcean Partners in numerous transactions, including the acquisition of or investments in Music Reports, Hanley Wood, BDX, Pragmatic Institute and Casper's Ice Cream and the sale of the Planet Group and Hunter Fan.
- Quad-C Management in numerous transactions, including the acquisition of, or investments in, Astrix Technology Group, Learner's Edge, NightOwl Global, and Legacy Food Group, and the sale of Stanton Carpet Corp., Galleher Corp., @properties and S.i. Systems.
- Epilog Partners in their acquisition of Care Connectors Medical Group.
- KKR in numerous transactions, including the acquisition of, or investments in, CA Media and establishment of Emerald Media, Weststar Aviation Services Sdn. Bhd. (Malaysia), PT Tiga Pilar Sejahtera Food Tbk. (Indonesia), Goodpack Limited (Singapore), Avendus Capital (India), Alliance Tires Group B.V. (India) and the sale of Capsugel (\$5.5bn) and Oriental Brewery (Korea) (\$5.8bn).
- Primavera Capital Group and Ant Financial Services Group in connection with an aggregate \$460mm investment in Yum China, concurrent with its spinoff from Yum! Brand's.
- ATL partners, in connection with its investment in Arrive Logistics and sale of Pilot Freight Services to A.P. Moller-Maersk (\$1.7bn).



### Capabilities

Private Equity  
Betting and Gaming  
Mergers and Acquisitions  
Sports Law

### Credentials

#### Education

University of Chicago Law School - 2012  
Juris Doctor  
Brandeis University - 2007 Bachelor of Arts

#### Admissions

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- Littlejohn & Co. in its acquisition of Cook & Boardman and sale of a majority interest to Platinum Equity.
- Blackstone in its A\$750mm acquisition of Orical Chemicals (Australia) and its investment in NantWorks.
- Investcorp in its acquisition of Mercury Capital, investment in and establishment of a real estate management JV and sale of Nobel Learning Communities.
- True Wind Capital in its strategic partnership with, and carve-out involving, the American Institute of Architect's Contract Documents Business.
- Alibaba in numerous transactions, including the \$1.6bn going-private transaction involving AutoNavi Holdings.
- Kuadi Dache in its strategic stock-for-stock merger with Didi Dache
- Compania de Petroleos de Chile in connection with its acquisition of Terpel S.A. and \$535mm acquisition of Delek US Holdings.
- NextEra Energy in connection with its \$760mm sale of its interest in the Marcus Hook generating assets to Starwood Energy.
- Ungerer & Company in its acquisition by Givaudan.
- FTI Consulting in its acquisition of Delta Partners.
- General Electric, in the spin-off of GE HealthCare.

#### **Representative Sports and Entertainment Experience\***

- PIF, in connection with the formation and establishment of LIV Golf, as well as Acting Chief Legal Officer of LIV Golf from January 2023 to November 2024, including advising LIV Golf on its corporate structure, all player agreements, sponsorship rights and related agreements and material broadcast agreements (including with Fox).
- Beemok Capital in numerous transactions, including the acquisition of the M1000 Cincinnati Open from the United States Tennis Association, the governing body of U.S. tennis.
- David Tepper in his \$2.275bn acquisition of the Carolina Panthers.
- The lead minority investors in their investment in the Seattle Kraken and acquisition of the NHL's 32nd expansion franchise.
- RedBird Capital Partners in a number of significant acquisitions, including Italy's Associazione Calcio Milan (AC Milan Football Club), and the acquisition from The Walt Disney Company of the YES Network.
- Affiliates of Yankee Global Enterprises and the Dallas Cowboys, in connection with the sale of a stake in Legends Hospitality to Sixth Street and the acquisition by Legends Hospitality of ASM Global.
- An investor in the Miami Marlins.
- The Weinstein Company in its proposed sale.
- A tennis equipment manufacturer in drafting form sponsorship agreement for Tennis athletes.
- The American Flag Football League in connection with its Series A financing and broadcasting partnership with the NFL.
- 2 of the original 12 founders of the Overwatch League (Envy Gaming and Gen. G (formerly KSV Esports International)) in their negotiation of Team Participation Agreements and related corporate matters.
- Envy Gaming in its Series A financing with Hersh Interactive Group.
- ReKTGlobal, Inc., an esports company, in the acquisition of Rogue, a Las Vegas-based esports team.

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- Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones and the Jones family in connection with the acquisition of esports entity, compLexity Gaming.
- Blue Pool Capital (the family office of Joe Tsai) in the acquisition of the San Diego Seals, a National Lacrosse League expansion team.
- Confidential bidders in connection with expansion agreements with Major League Soccer and the Women's National Basketball Association.
- IMG in its agreement to relocate the Miami Open to Hard Rock Stadium.
- The North American Soccer League on corporate matters.
- Daikin in its naming rights deals for the Houston Astros stadium.
- The City of Atlanta and Fulton County Recreation Authority regarding an arena operating agreement and non-relocation agreement in connection with the \$192mm State Farm Arena (formerly Philips Arena) renovation project.
- USA Volleyball in a multiyear footwear, apparel and accessory agreement with Adidas.
- Axiomatic Gaming in their investment (along with KKR, Kleiner Perkins and others) in the \$1.25bn investment in Epic Games.

*\*Includes representations prior to Matthew's association with Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher.*

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