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Cody Wilson is an associate in the Dallas office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. He advises public and private companies on mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, growth and venture investments, minority investments, leveraged acquisitions, exits, complex strategic and commercial agreements, operating agreements and with respect to general corporate matters. His experience spans a wide range of industries, including consumer and retail, business services, financial services, healthcare, industrials and technology, with transactions ranging in size from several hundred thousand to billions of dollars.

In 2025, Cody was recognized by his peers as a “Rising Star” in mergers and acquisitions by *Super Lawyers*. He also serves as an adjunct professor at the Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, where he co-teaches a course concerning private equity investments and exits. He maintains an active pro bono practice, and, from 2023 to 2025, he served on the firm’s global Associate Committee.

Cody graduated *summa cum laude* from the Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law in 2020, where he was a member of Order of the Coif, a Hatton W. Sumners Scholar, an editor of the SMU Law Review, a teaching assistant for Professor Gregory Crespi and a research assistant for Professor Christopher Hanna.

Before law school, Cody gained extensive sales and sales management experience in the automotive industry. He earned an undergraduate degree in Industrial Engineering, with distinction, from the University of Oklahoma, where he was awarded departmental honors in recognition of his distinguished academic record.

Cody is admitted to the State Bar of Texas.

Representative Matters

- Counsel to SpaceX in its acquisition of Akoustis Technologies pursuant to Section 363 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.
- Counsel to IPCO, owned by Wallenberg Investments AB, in connection with its acquisition of New Era Converting Machinery, a web converting equipment manufacturer.
- Counsel to CenterOak Partners, LLC in acquisitions of numerous businesses, including Entomo Brands, HK Solutions Group, SurfacePrep, Hometown Services, CollisionRight, Village Green, Guardian Access, Solid Ground and NOW CFO.
- Counsel to CenterOak Partners, LLC its dispositions of Cascade Windows to Cornerstone Building Brands, Inc. and Vivify Specialty Ingredients to Gryphon Investors.
- Counsel to Trive Capital in numerous acquisitions by OWL Services, a provider of integrated solutions for petroleum convenience and electric vehicle markets, and



Capabilities

Mergers and Acquisitions
Private Equity

Credentials

Education

SMU Dedman School of Law - 2020 Juris Doctor
University of Oklahoma - 2014 Bachelor of Science

Admissions

Texas Bar

NCB Management Services, an accounts receivable management firm.

- Counsel to Keystone Group, a privately held investment firm, in several investments.
- Counsel to American Airlines in its partnership with JetSMART, an ultra-low-cost carrier operating in South America.
- Counsel to an affiliate of Lone Star Funds in its acquisition of CentroMotion, a leading designer and manufacturer of highly engineered products and systems for the industrial and transportation markets.
- Counsel to an affiliate of Lone Star Funds in its \$3.8 billion acquisition of SPX Flow, Inc, a leading provider of process solutions for the nutrition, health and industrial markets.
- Counsel to an affiliate of Lone Star Funds in its sale of Arclin, Inc., a chemistry-based provider of highly technical, engineered products for the residential building products market and other industries, to The Jordan Company, L.P.
- Counsel to Satori Capital, a Texas-based multi-strategy investment firm in its minority investment in Torani, a leading manufacturer and distributor of multi-flavor syrups used in Italian ice drinks, café lattes and other food and beverages.
- Counsel to the Woodall Rodgers Park Foundation in connection with numerous matters related to its management of Klyde Warren Park.

Publications

- Article – March 30, 2023 | [U.S. International Tax Policy and Corporate America](#) published in *The Journal of Corporation Law*.
- Article – April 15, 2021 | [10 Things to Know About US Competent Authority Assistance](#) published in *Law360*.
- Article – March 15, 2021 | [International Tax Planning for Domestic Multinational Corporations: Optimizing Effective Tax Rates by Turning Sticks into Snakes and Implementing Other Strategies](#) published in the *Virginia Law & Business Review*.
- Article – June 30, 2020 | [“Form” Determine “Substance” – A Call to Reign in Tax Law’s Substance-Over-Form Principle](#) published in the *Creighton Law Review*.
- Article – January 9, 2020 | [Taxing Trades: Proposals to Keep Moneyball out of Tax Law](#) published in the *SMU Law Review*.
- Article – July 19, 2019 | [Tribal Sovereignty and Online Gaming: Fantasy Sports Offer Tribes What Other Games Do Not](#) published in the *SMU Law Review*.

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