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Nathan N. Zhang practices in Gibson Dunn's Houston office. He works on a wide range of domestic and international commercial transactions, including acquisitions and divestitures, private equity investments, joint ventures, project development, and general corporate matters. Nathan has particular experience representing clients in the energy industry, including in the upstream, midstream, petrochemical, LNG, oilfield services, power, and renewable sectors.

Nathan has been recognized as a *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America*™ in the areas of Mergers and Acquisitions and Oil and Gas Law.

Nathan earned his law degree from The University of Texas and his undergraduate degree from Dartmouth College, graduating with honors from both institutions. He is fluent in Mandarin Chinese.

Representative Matters*

- Pioneer Natural Resources in its acquisition of Parsley Energy for a total consideration of \$7.6 billion.
- Pioneer Natural Resources in its acquisition of DoublePoint Energy for a total consideration of \$6.4 billion.
- The Carlyle Group in its acquisition from Noble Environmental Power of a 612 MW wind generation portfolio, which at the time of acquisition was the largest operating wind platform in New York and produced 29% of the state's wind power.
- Contango Oil & Gas in a \$5.7 billion merger with KKR's Independence Energy.
- Occidental Petroleum Corporation in the formation of a joint venture with Ecopetrol that covers approximately 97,000 net acres in the Midland Basin, in consideration of Ecopetrol's \$1.5 billion investment and commitment to jointly develop the assets.
- SilverBow Resources in an acquisition of Eagle Ford Shale assets from Sundance Energy, with the total consideration comprising of \$225 million in cash and 4.1 million shares of public stock.
- Partners Group and OPTrust in a \$300 million investment in Superior Pipeline Company and the formation of a joint venture.
- State gas distributor in negotiating an LNG supply agreement and a time charter party for a floating storage and offloading unit.
- TotalEnergies in the acquisition of upstream assets in the Barnett Shale through exercise of preferential right, together with renegotiation (buy-down) of fixed payment obligations under long term gas gathering contracts, for total consideration of \$980 million.



Capabilities

Oil and Gas
Energy and Infrastructure
Mergers and Acquisitions
Power and Renewables
Private Equity
Projects

Credentials

Education

University of Texas - 2013 Juris Doctor
Dartmouth College - 2009 Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

Texas Bar

- Chevron in the acquisition of offshore assets and related ongoing decommissioning operations in the Outer Continental Shelf.
- Mitsui E&P USA in its \$207 million sale of certain Marcellus Shale assets, including interests in both upstream gas portfolio and significant midstream infrastructure, to Alta Resources Development.
- Sundrop Fuels in the ongoing development, financing, and construction of a \$450 million advanced biofuels facility utilizing natural gas and biomass to produce gasoline.
- GE Energy Financial Services in a structured transaction with Diamond Offshore to buy and leaseback blowout-preventers, and represented GE Oil & Gas in a related contractual service arrangement to service the blowout-preventers.
- QEP Resources, Inc. in two separate sales of oil and gas properties in the Cana-Woodford and Granite Wash plays in the Western Anadarko Basin in Texas and Oklahoma for a combined value of approximately \$772 million.
- International oil and gas company in its sale of an offshore production block in the People's Republic of China.
- Occidental Petroleum Corporation in the spin-off of its California oil and gas business into an independent and separately traded company, California Resources Corporation.
- Mitsui & Co., Ltd. in the acquisition of DuPont's global Kocide and ManKocide copper fungicide assets.
- International chemical company in its sale of a petrochemical facility in Lake Charles, Louisiana to a U.S. subsidiary of a foreign chemical company.
- International chemical company in its expansion of a \$1.5 billion ethylene cracking plant in Texas.

** Matters prior to joining Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher*

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