

Webcast: IPO and Public Company Readiness: Strategies and Considerations

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In the current market environment, strong pre-IPO readiness can position companies to more swiftly access IPO market windows. This recorded presentation explores preliminary planning, structuring and governance considerations for private companies considering an IPO. Our lawyers also discuss alternative exit strategies and how steps taken to prepare for an IPO can be beneficial to companies that ultimately do not go public. Join our team of capital markets panelists in the first installment of our 2022 Series - *IPO and Public Company Readiness*.

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