



## Jacob W. Stasny

### OF COUNSEL

Jacob runs a nationwide practice focusing on private equity transactions, negotiated acquisitions, and other complex business deals, business litigation, and commercial real estate, serving clients in a broad array of industries, including finance, healthcare, energy, technology, media, and manufacturing.

Jacob has represented a wide variety of clients in his ten years of practice, including private equity firms, capital managers, investment groups, commercial and residential mortgage servicers, a variety of healthcare providers, alternative credit brokers, commercial landlords, consultancy firms, technology distributors, apparel designers, insurance brokers, software developers, clean-energy tech manufacturers, and oilfield services companies. He has the broad legal knowledge to handle even the most complex cases, and takes a focused approach to every matter, typically representing his clients as their sole attorney even in highly complicated matters. Specializing in representation of businesses, Jacob has navigated numerous debt and equity finance transactions, corporate acquisitions and divestitures, project finance transactions, landlord-tenant matters, commercial bankruptcies, and matters involving the formation, operation, and liquidation of virtually every type of business entity, including regular filing of corporate documents in Texas, Delaware, New York, and in numerous foreign jurisdictions.

When the need arises, Jacob also conducts an extensive business litigation and arbitration practice, representing clients with respect to such matters as securities litigation, partnership litigation, fiduciary litigation, derivative suits, contract disputes, employment disputes, intellectual property and trade secret disputes, and administratively before state and federal regulators, including the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner, the Office of the Inspector General, and the Internal Revenue Service.

Jacob has been featured as a "Rising Star" in business and corporate law in Texas Monthly and Texas Super Lawyers Magazine the last five years straight (2015-2019). He is a member of the American Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association, the Dallas Bar Association, the Texas Young Lawyers Association, and the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, and is a 2009 alumnus of DAYL's Leadership Class.

Jacob earned an MBA in finance, with honors, from Texas Tech University in 2005, and a Juris Doctor from Southern Methodist University in 2008, where he served as a member of the Student Bar Association's Executive Committee and as a liaison to the Publications Committee of the Dallas Bar Association. He is licensed in Texas and New York and is admitted to practice before the United States District Courts for the Northern District of Texas, Eastern District of Texas, and Eastern District of New York.

### PRACTICE AREAS

- Asset Protection
- Complex Business Litigation



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- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Tax Planning (Business & Individual)

## Credentials

### EDUCATION

- SMU Dedman School of Law (JD, 2008)
- Texas Tech University (MBA, *with Dean's Honors*, 2005)
  - Concentration: Finance
- Texas Tech University (BBA, *with Dean's Honors*, 2003)

### HONORS AND AWARDS

- Rising Stars, Thomson Reuters, Business/Corporate, 2015-2020

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- New York
- Texas

### COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Eastern, New York
- U.S. District Court, Eastern, Texas
- U.S. District Court, Northern, Texas

### ASSOCIATIONS

- American Bar Association, Business Law Section
- Dallas Bar Association, Member, 2009–present
- Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, Member, 2009–present
- Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, Headnotes Liaison, 2009-2010
- Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, Leadership Class, 2009
- Texas Young Lawyers Association, Member, 2010–present
- New York State Bar Association, Member, 2013-present
- State Bar of Texas, Member, 2008-present

## Experience

- Engaged by buy-side and sell-side clients in negotiated acquisition projects totaling over \$30 million since Q4 2017.
- Successfully neutralized, without litigation, a series of orchestrated attempts by majority owners of an LLC to squeeze out a minority owner in connection with a \$50 million acquisition of the company.
- Sole counsel to an investment firm with respect to an \$85 million purchase of all outstanding preferred shares in a



privately held global accounting firm, in a transaction that was structured over an 18-month period and included interrelated membership purchase agreements, a \$50 million secured project finance deal, operating agreements governing the target firm's multi-tiered corporate structure, and a \$300 million credit facility agreement issued to the target firm by a consortium of lenders.

- Secured a final take-nothing summary judgment in favor of a clean energy technology manufacturer, disposing of claims brought by a convertible note holder alleging breach of contract and securities violations, and seeking \$1.2 million in damages and attorney's fees.
- Successfully represented a custom prosthetics manufacturer with respect to a series of audits of its Medicaid billing practices, conducted by the Office of the Inspector General in several offices throughout the state.

## Knowledge

### PRESENTATIONS

- Panelist, *Managing M&A Transactions: Practical Tips and Strategies in Closing a Deal*, The Knowledge Group (2020)
- Guest Speaker, *Retirement Withdrawals and Required Minimum Distributions*, Schilreff Wealth Management Seminar (Nov. 12, 2019).
- Panelist, *Earn-out Provisions in Private M&A: Navigating Potentials and Pitfalls*, The Knowledge Group (2019)
- Featured Speaker, *Strategies and Practical Tips to Avoid and Minimize Corporate Successor Liability in Asset Purchases* (2018).
- Panelist, *An Overview of an M&A Deal: Scope and Considerations*, The Knowledge Group (2018)

### PUBLICATIONS

- Author, *Strategic Voting Agreements of Minority Investors, Preferred Returns*, ABA Private Equity and Venture Capital Committee Newsletter (Spring 2019).
- Author, *Leveraged Lending Oversight Relaxed Despite Congressional Concern, Preferred Returns*, ABA Private Equity and Venture Capital Committee Newsletter (Fall 2018).
- Co-Author, *The Small Business Toolkit*, Texas Young Lawyers Association, 2010.

## News

- Sumner Schick Featured in 2017 Texas' Leaders in the Law  
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