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### **BIOGRAPHY**

Tom McNeill concentrates in corporate finance, mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance and securities, international and business law. He regularly counsels public companies with respect to corporate governance issues. His merger and acquisition practice includes structuring and financing acquisitions and divestitures for public and privately owned companies and involves both domestic and international operations. His international practice involves inbound and outbound transactions and structuring of international distribution systems. In the corporate finance arena, Mr. McNeill has participated in venture capital and joint venture transactions. He also provides advice in logistics issues involving supply chains, site selection and distribution issues.

Clients of Mr. McNeill include manufacturers of carpet, automotive parts and industrial products, a facilities management company, beverage companies, restaurant companies, and a passenger and cargo air carrier.

Mr. McNeill served as a member of the Committee on Corporate Laws of the Business Law Section of the American Bar Association through 2012. The Committee on Corporate Laws is responsible for updating and monitoring the Model Business Corporation Act and the Corporate Directors Guidebook.

## CIVIC INVOLVEMENT & HONORS

- Boys & Girls Club of Metro Atlanta, Board of Directors
- Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors, Supply Chain and Logistics Council, Global Commerce Council
- American Lawyer Media (ALM) & Martindale-Hubbell - Top Rated Lawyer in International Law & International Trade
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, (Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions and Securities Law)
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- Best Lawyers' 2020 Atlanta Corporate Law Lawyer of the Year
- Best Lawyers' 2012 Atlanta Securities / Capital Markets Law Lawyer of the Year
- *Chambers USA*, Georgia (Corporate/Mergers & Acquisitions)
- Georgia Super Lawyer (2004 - 2016)
- Who's Who in Law - (*Atlanta Business Chronicle*, 2010-2013)
- Emory Law Advisory Board – Executive Committee, 2008-2009; Emory Law School Council – Chairman, 2005-2006; Law School Alumni Association, 1989-1999; Barristers Committee, Chairman, 2002-2005
- Emory University Board of Visitors, 2006-2008
- Canadian American Society of the Southeastern United States, Board of Directors, 2001-2010; President, 2004-2005

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association – Business Law Section, Committee on Corporate Laws; 2007-2012, Joint Task Force on Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorism Initiatives; Corporate Practice Committee; International M&A Committee
- State Bar of Georgia – Business Law Section, Chairman, 2008-2009; Executive Committee, 2002-2010; Chairman, Corporate Code Revision Committee, 2002-2006; International Committee
- Society of International Business Fellows

## **ADMISSIONS**

- Georgia, 1977

## **EDUCATION**

Emory University, J.D., 1977

University of Florida, B.S., 1974

## **RELATED PRACTICE AREAS**

- M&A & Corporate Finance
- Private Equity
- Corporate
- Food & Beverage
- Pubs, Clubs & Restaurants
- Food & Agribusiness

## **EXPERIENCE**

Examples of Mr. McNeill's transactional experience include:

- a tax-free spinoff involving three NYSE listed corporations in the restaurant and food service industries
- the acquisition by a U.S. flag international air carrier of a similar carrier

- a divestiture by a manufacturer of a national chain of retailers
- the consolidation of a public and private company to form a national publicly traded owner and operator of hotels
- the acquisition of assets of a 450-store national retailer
- the acquisition of U.S., German and French businesses involved in the manufacture of scientific instrumentation
- a significant private equity investment in a national imaging and document management company

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