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BIOGRAPHY

Steve Baumer regularly advises clients involved in complex business transactions. He counsels clients on corporate governance issues and advises on matters such as strategic mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, investments and joint ventures; debt and equity restructurings; leveraged buyouts and mezzanine financings; SEC reporting requirements; and public and private sales of debt and equity securities.

Mr. Baumer has experience with companies in a number of different industries, including agriculture, manufacturing, health care, technology, life sciences, telecommunications, private

equity and consumer goods. He is the former leader of the firm's global Transactions practice, and a current member of the firm's Board.

A LEADING CORPORATE AND M&A LAWYER

- *Chambers USA*, Corporate/M&A, 2021-2022
- The Legal 500 United States 2017: M&A: middle-market (SUB-\$500M)
- BTI Client Service All-Star
- *The Best Lawyers in America* ©, Corporate Law; M&A Law; Securities/Capital Markets Law, 2023

COMMITTEES

Executive Committee

ADMISSIONS

- Missouri, 1997
- England & Wales (Registered Foreign Lawyer), 1996
- Illinois, 1994

EDUCATION

University of Michigan, J.D., *cum laude*, 1994

University of Notre Dame, B.A., with high honors, 1991

RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

- Agribusiness
- Food & Beverage
- Pubs, Clubs & Restaurants
- Data Center & Digital Infrastructure Team
- Strategic Alternatives & Corporate Reorganization
- Corporate
- AdTech
- PropTech

- Food & Agribusiness
- Private Equity

EXPERIENCE

Mr. Baumer's transactional experience has included the representation of:

- Express Scripts Holding Company in connection with acquisition, divestiture and joint venture transactions
- Energizer Holdings, Inc. in connection with its M&A and capital markets activities, including its acquisition of the global auto care business of Spectrum Brands
- Caleres, Inc. in connection with its M&A activities, including its acquisitions of Allen Edmonds and Vionic
- The Stephens Group, The Broe Group and Eagle Private Capital in connection with their investment activities
- Enterprise Holdings Inc. in connection with its M&A activities, including its acquisition of Deem
- Emerson Electric Co. in connection with numerous acquisition and divestiture transactions
- Bunge North America in connection with various joint venture, acquisition and divestiture transactions
- Dentsply Sirona, Panera Bread Company, Edgewell Personal Care, International Paper Company, Windstream Corporation and Tekelec in connection with various merger and acquisition transactions
- Maschhoff Family Foods, LLC in connection with its M&A and financing activities
- Monsanto Company in connection with various strategic investments and divestitures
- Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc. in connection with cross-border investment activities
- Virgin Atlantic Airways Limited in connection with the sale of its US cargo handling operations
- NuVox, Inc. in connection with its capital raising activities and various acquisition transactions
- Castle Pines Capital in connection with its formation and capital raising activities, and its ultimate sale to a Fortune 50 financial services company.

- Ralcorp Holdings, Inc. in connection with the sale of its Branded Cereal Products Division in a reverse Morris trust transaction
- Former ownership group (a partnership of leading public and private companies headquartered in St. Louis) of The St. Louis Blues NHL Hockey Club in its sale of the team and the team's arena

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