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Recognized as the 2022 Corporate Attorney of the Year by *The American Lawyer* and a 2021 MVP in Private Equity by *Law360*, Atif Azher represents clients in a wide range of complex corporate matters, with a focus on M&A and private equity. He was also named among the 2023 “Top 100 Lawyers in California” for the second consecutive year by the *Daily Journal*, which wrote that Atif’s name “has become synonymous with the market’s largest and most complex transactions.” Atif is also recognized by *The Legal 500 US* and *Chambers USA* for Private Equity: Buyouts.

Atif provides sophisticated transactional counsel to public and private companies, investment funds and

PRACTICE FOCUS

Mergers and Acquisitions Corporate Private Equity
Corporate – M&A Corporate Governance
Artificial Intelligence Alternative Capital and Private Credit
Shareholder Activism
Special Purpose Acquisition Companies (SPACs)

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financial institutions, in a variety of domestic and cross-border transactions. He regularly advises on multi-billion dollar mergers, acquisitions, divestitures and JVs, drawing on his substantial experience across a broad range of industries, including technology, technology-enabled services, software, internet, sports, entertainment and media, healthcare, financial services, fintech, retail and consumer products, and real estate. Additionally, he has experience working on SPAC transactions, including advising target companies, SPACs and PIPE investors.

Atif regularly advises clients in:

- Take-privates
- Leveraged buy-outs
- Unsolicited takeover offers
- Public and private acquisitions and investments (including PIPEs)
- Corporate governance matters (including fiduciary law, SEC and stock exchange considerations)
- Emerging and growth company matters (including capital raising transactions)
- Financial advisory matters (including representing financial institutions)

His corporate representations have included Airbnb, Applied Systems, Dell, Multiplan, PPD and UKG, among others. Atif's private equity clients have included Hellman & Friedman, Silver Lake, Centerbridge, True Wind, TCV, Blackstone, Apollo, Sterling Partners, KKR, Carlyle and Riverwood Capital. Additionally, Atif was named an "MVP" in Private Equity by *Law360* in 2017, and a "Trusted Adviser" in Private Equity by *The Recorder* in 2017.

