

# The Right Experience for NAIC Members

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Winston & Strawn has one of the broadest and most active middle-market private equity practices in the U.S. We focus on middle-market transactions, understand the dynamics of deals in this space, and have a firm grasp on where the market is at any point in time.

Our team delivers value throughout each phase of the investment life cycle – from deal sourcing, platform transactions, acquisition financing and tax structuring, to add-on acquisitions, portfolio company management and exits.

The 250+ attorneys in our corporate practice provide a range of legal services to private equity clients, including transactional and fund formation, finance, securities, corporate governance, and restructuring or insolvency. Our corporate lawyers work regularly with attorneys from other practices to serve the needs of private equity firms and their portfolio companies.

## Fund Formation

Our attorneys have represented fund sponsors in the structuring and formation of private investment funds in every major sector of the fund industry including private equity. We understand that attorneys with extensive knowledge of the dynamic environment for raising private investment funds are integral to the success of a sponsor's fundraising effort and the ability of a fund to raise capital on favorable terms. Our broad experience and market knowledge also enables us to advise sponsors with respect to both ordinary course operational issues and special circumstances that occur in the private fund industry.

## Finance

We have a designated team of borrower-side finance attorneys with extensive experience representing private equity funds, financial institutions and hedge funds. They advise clients in connection with leveraged acquisition financings. *Thomson Reuters* – consistently ranked by volume.

## Tax

Our tax attorneys advise clients on a wide variety of corporate and private equity transactional issues, including those related to both taxable and tax free mergers and acquisitions on behalf of public and private buyers and sellers, and on behalf of private equity funds and their portfolio companies. *U.S. News-Best Lawyers* 2016 – Ranked Tier 1 National for Tax Law.

## Employee Benefits / Executive Compensation

Our employee benefits / executive compensation attorneys advise clients in connection with qualified and non-qualified retirement plans, executive and equity compensation, Code Section 409A, welfare plans, and the benefits aspects of M&A. *U.S. News-Best Lawyers* 2016 – Ranked Tier 1 National for Employment Law.

## 50+ Private Equity Clients Regularly Represented

A&M Capital	Narrow Gauge Capital
ACON Investments	North Peak Capital
Altpoint Capital Partners	Neuberger Berman*
Aperion Capital	Norwest Equity Partners
Ares Management	OFS Capital Management
Argand Partners	Parallel 49 Equity
Arrowpoint Partners	Partners Group (USA)
Atlas Holdings	Pier Six Capital
Baird Capital Partners	Post Capital Partners
Beecken Petty O'Keefe	Pritzker Group Private Capital
Blackstone Capital Partners*	PSP Capital Partners
Blue Wolf Capital	Revelstoke Capital Partners
Bregal Capital	Reverence Capital Partners
Brightwood Capital*	Rock Hill Capital
Centana Growth Partners	Roundtable Partners
Conversus Capital	Shore Capital Partners
Eos Partners	Sidereal Capital Group
Excellere Partners	Silversmith Capital
GCP Capital Partners	Siris Capital Group, LLC*
GenNx360 Capital Partners*	Summerfield Capital
HarbourVest Partners, L.P.*	The Beekman Group
Highstar Capital	The Jordan Company
Hudson Ferry Capital	The Wicks Group of Companies, L.L.C.*
Industrial Growth Partners	Tyree & D'Angelo Partners
Industrial Opportunity Partners	Vista Equity Partners*
Investcorp	Vistria Group, LP*
JPMorgan Asset Management*	Water Street Health Care Partners
Lakeshore Capital Partners	Waud Capital Partners
Magic Johnson Enterprises, Inc.*	Waypoint Capital Partners
Mistral Capital Management	Wynnchurch Capital
MML Capital Partners	
Monitor Clipper Partners	

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## Permanent Capital Solutions

Our Permanent Capital Solutions Group is leading the industry in evaluating, developing, and implementing non-traditional specialty finance structures focused on permanent or other long-term capital formation activities. Recognizing the growth and diversification of these structures in the market, as well as the evolution of clients' strategies and objectives, our team takes a comprehensive approach to developing permanent capital solutions, integrating closely the corporate, tax, regulatory, management and compensation issues that are critical in identifying the correct solution and implementing it successfully.

## About Winston & Strawn

**875+**

Attorneys Firmwide

**17**

Offices

**250+**

Corporate Attorneys

### Firm Overview

Winston & Strawn LLP is an international law firm with more than 875+ attorneys across 17 offices in Brussels, Charlotte, Chicago, Dallas, Dubai, Hong Kong, Houston, London, Los Angeles, Moscow, New York, Newark, Paris, San Francisco, Shanghai, Silicon Valley, and Washington, D.C. The exceptional depth and geographic reach of our resources enable Winston & Strawn to manage virtually every type of business-related legal issue. We serve the needs of enterprises of all types and sizes, in both the private and the public sector. We understand that clients are looking for value beyond just legal expertise. With this in mind, we work hard to understand the level of involvement our clients want from us. We take time to learn about our clients' organizations and their business objectives. And, we place significant emphasis on technology and teamwork in an effort to respond quickly and effectively to our clients' needs.

## OUR PRACTICES

- Advertising, Marketing, and Entertainment
- Antitrust / Competition
- Appellate and Critical Motions
- Class Actions
- Complex Commercial Litigation
- Corporate Governance
- Corporate Lending
- Employee Benefits and Executive Comp.
- Energy
- Environmental
- Finance
- Financial Services
- Financial Services Litigation
- Government Relations and Regulatory
- Health Care
- Intellectual Property
- International Arbitration
- Labor and Employment
- Maritime
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Privacy and Data Security
- Private Equity
- Private Fund Formation
- Product Liability
- Real Estate
- Restructuring and Insolvency
- Securities and Capital Markets
- Securitization
- Tax
- Trusts and Estates
- White-Collar Investigations

