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Cody advises publicly and privately held businesses regarding an array of corporate and securities laws matters, including public offerings and private placements of debt and equity securities, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, and other general corporate governance matters.

OVERVIEW

Cody assists public and private companies in all aspects of corporate and securities transactions. He routinely advises public companies in connection with SEC reporting, corporate governance, securities regulations, NYSE and Nasdaq listing standards, and securities offerings. Cody also focuses his practice on varying corporate and securities transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, refinancings, divestitures, reorganizations, strategic investments, business formation, and general corporate matters.

In addition to serving the needs of his corporate clients, Cody also maintains an active pro bono practice and is experienced in representing nonprofit boards and entities in governance and strategic transaction matters.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented several publicly held companies in connection with their ’34 Act reporting and corporate governance matters, including a leading global provider of specialty technology products and solutions, a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company, a global manufacturer of semiconductors and passive electronic components, and a leading provider of revenue cycle management software solutions for health care organizations.

Merger and acquisition transactions

- Represented one of the largest manufacturers of wire and cable, tools, components, and assembled solutions in the U.S., in various strategic transactions, including the acquisition of a manufacturer of nylon cable ties, the acquisition of a manufacturer of temporary power distribution and portable lighting products, the acquisition of a distributor of high-quality, electrical components and accessories, and the acquisition of a leading provider of quality electrical fittings, components, and lighting products.
- Represented Belden Inc., a leading global supplier of specialty networking solutions, in connection with the sale of its Grass Valley Live Media business to Black Dragon Capital, a software and technology-focused private equity firm for approximately $295 million.

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- Represented Payroc in various strategic acquisitions, including the acquisitions of Atlantic Merchant Services, Banquest Payment Systems, Beanstalk Payment Technologies, East Commerce Solutions, and Iroquois Merchant Services.
- Represented financial institutions and community banks in negotiating a variety of corporate reorganization transactions, including mergers, asset acquisitions, and stock acquisitions.
- Represented the nation's largest privately held wholesale distributor of plumbing, heating, and industrial supplies in connection with its acquisition of a leading supplier of HVAC equipment, parts, and supplies.
- Represented an unmanned aerial vehicle manufacturer in connection with its sale to a defense industry firm specializing in airborne intelligence gathering solutions.
- Represented a private equity group in connection with its acquisition of a health care engagement agency.
- Represented Arris International plc, a global leader in entertainment and communications solutions, in its sale to CommScope Holding Company for approximately $7.4 billion.
- Represented Gunnison Tree Services, a leading provider of comprehensive tree and vegetation management services, in connection with its recapitalization led by Warren Equity Partners.

Debt and equity offerings

- Represented a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company in multiple registered direct public offerings of common stock.
- Served as underwriters' counsel in multiple securities offerings for Synovus Financial Corp., including a $400 million senior bank notes offering, a $300 million subordinated notes offering, a $300 million senior notes offering, and a $250 million subordinated notes offering.

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Capital Markets
- Corporate
- Financial Services
- Mergers + Acquisitions

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Capital Markets
- Corporate
- Corporate Governance
- Emerging Companies + Venture Capital
- Financial Services
- Mergers + Acquisitions
- Payments + Financial Technology
- Private Equity

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- University of Georgia School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2018, symposium editor, *Georgia Law Review*
- University of Georgia, B.B.A., 2014

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Georgia