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Mike represents private equity funds, emerging companies, and corporate clients in their investment activities, including mergers and acquisitions, across various industries, such as manufacturing, health care, technology, energy, and telecommunications.

OVERVIEW

Mike guides clients through the entire deal process. Before joining the firm, Mike gained experience and a unique perspective in business litigation, representing clients in governance, commercial contracts, and employment disputes at trial and appellate levels.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented affiliates of Trent Capital Partners in the acquisition of Microporous, a leading manufacturer of high-performance battery separators for lead-acid batteries, and the related debt and equity financing for the acquisition.
- Regularly represents Greenbacker Development Opportunities Fund in its growth equity and venture investment activities focused in the renewable energy and sustainable infrastructure space, including its investments in Telyon, Nexus PMG, Revolv, Peak Power, Renew Energy Partners, Sunstone Credit, Sunrock Distributed Generation, Lightshift Energy, and Swell Energy.
- Represented Exeter Health Resources in its transaction to join the Beth Israel Lahey Health System (BILH).
- Advised CuraLinc Healthcare and its founders in a strategic investment from Lightyear Capital.
- Advised Signers National, a New York City-based holding company for a tech-enabled insurance distribution platform, in a strategic minority investment from CIVC Partners, a Chicago-based business services investment firm.
- Represented IPG Photonics Corporation on numerous transactions, including the sale of its telecom transmission product lines division and its acquisition of Genesis Systems Group and Innovative Laser Technologies.
- Represented Mandarinfish Holding Corp., an acquisition entity backed by multiple family office sponsors, in its acquisition of the Professional Association of Diving Instructors from Providence Equity Partners.
- Advised Cable One, Inc., in its strategic $570 million investment in Mega Broadband, a high-speed data, television, and voice provider.

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- Represented Carousel Industries and its founders in a combination with NWN Corporation.
- Represented Nautic Partners in numerous acquisition and sale transactions, including Tarian Security, IPS Corporation, Custom Windows, Community Medical Group, and Precision Engineered Products.

AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America®:* Corporate Law (2027)
- *Best Lawyers in America®:* Ones to Watch, Corporate Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law (2021-2024)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Corporate
- Emerging Companies + Venture Capital
- Mergers + Acquisitions
- Private Equity

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Intern, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Enforcement Division
- Intern, Hon. Bruce M. Selya, U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- Intern, in-house legal department, publicly traded company

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Northeastern University School of Law
- Bryant University, B.S.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Massachusetts
- Rhode Island

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts