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## OVERVIEW

Brink is a fellow of The Pepper Center for Public Service. The Pepper Center draws on the talents of the firm's retired partners and senior attorneys to wrestle with tough problems facing our communities. Through the Center, these attorneys study, analyze, and work to resolve problems that affect the lives of people in our communities.

Brink was a leading securities and transactional attorney. He focused his securities practice on the routine periodic disclosure obligations of public companies. His clients included:

- Domtar Corporation, a leading sustainable paper company;
- AGCO Corporation, a leading manufacturer of farm equipment including Massey Ferguson tractors;
- ScanSource, Inc., a leading distributor of point-of-sale, bar code, payments, physical security, unified communication, and telecom services;
- Tuesday Morning, Inc., a national chain of stores selling off-price home goods;
- Atlanticus Holdings Corporation, a sub-prime lender;
- GreenSky, Inc., a leading financial technology company;
- Belden Inc., a manufacturer of wire and other signal transmission products; and
- Arris International plc, the leading provider of "last mile" equipment for hybrid fiber-coaxial broadband technology.

Brink also advised a number of other publicly traded companies, including Southern Company, on a more occasional basis, in addition to regularly advising fintech and other startups with respect to venture capital, private equity, and other financing issues.

Brink had a significant practice counseling companies (including their audit committees) that are subject to SEC investigations of accounting and other issues, and which are exposed to potential re-audits and restatements.

In the mergers and acquisitions area, Brink has been responsible for more than 100 transactions, including five tender offers and acquisitions in more than 20 different industries (and often the related equity and commercial financings). Several of these transactions involved the purchase of foreign businesses or had other international components, most often in the European Community.

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## AWARDS

- Thomson Reuters Stand-out Lawyer (2018, 2020-2021) – independently rated lawyers
- *Best Lawyers in America*®: Corporate Law (2006-2026); Securities / Capital Markets Law (2007-2026); Securities Regulation (2011-2026)
- *Best Lawyers in America*®: "Lawyer of the Year" in Securities Regulation Law (2019)
- *Chambers USA*: Corporate/M&A, Georgia (2010-2025)
- "Top Lawyer in Mergers and Acquisitions Law and Securities/Capital Markets Law," *GaBiz Magazine* (2026)
- *IFLR1000*, M&A (2024-2025)
- Achieved Martindale-Hubbell's highest rating for legal ability and ethical standards

## PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- State Bar of Georgia
- Chicago Bar Association
  - Corporation and Business Law Committee (Chairperson, 1997-1998; Vice-Chairperson, 1996-1997; Secretary, 1995-1996)
  - Merger, Acquisition and Takeover Subcommittee (Chairperson, 1993-1996)
- Member of the Board of Advisors, corporatecounsel.net
- Director and Treasurer of the American Friends of Versailles
- Director of Chastain Park Civic Association
- Chairman of Atlanta Neighborhood Planning Unit A (Buckhead)

## EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

### EDUCATION

- Emory University School of Law, J.D./M.B.A., *with honors*, 1982
- Emory University, B.B.A., 1978

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Georgia
- Illinois

### COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois

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