

Snell & Wilmer



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Main Bio

John Weston has extensive experience representing clients in mergers and acquisitions, private equity and venture capital transactions, securities regulation, corporate governance, Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, private placements, public offerings, consolidations, joint ventures, partnerships, licensing, and general corporate transactions. His experience includes representation of clients in a variety of industries including health care, ski resorts and outdoor lifestyle companies, transportation, construction, retail, consumer products, food products, and high technology products and services.

Representative Transactions

- Counsel to regional hospice company in its acquisition by a national hospice company
- Counsel to leading operator of experiential retail in a recapitalization
- Counsel to the seller of large agricultural operation
- Counsel to family office in multiple acquisitions of food services companies
- Counsel to national company in acquiring ski and snowboard resorts and other related services companies
- Counsel to private equity firm in the acquisition of a construction materials supply company
- Counsel to national consumer products lifestyle company in its acquisition by an international sports company
- Counsel to various boards of directors regarding corporate governance matters
- Special counsel to a bank audit committee
- Counsel to medical device company in its merger with an international diversified medical company
- Counsel to a high-tech visual 3D and software public company in its acquisition of a high-tech computer hardware public company
- Counsel to a public software company in its secondary public offering
- Counsel to a public filter manufacturing company in its secondary public offering
- Counsel to a Canadian trucking company in its asset acquisition of an interstate trucking company

- Counsel to various public and private companies in their various private placements
- Counsel to leading manufacturer and supplier of wheel rims in a variety of joint venture and development agreements
- Counsel to a leading computer game manufacturer in its sale to an internationally recognized software company
- Counsel to numerous issuers in connection with various venture capital raising transactions
- Counsel to acquirers of local automobile dealerships
- Counsel to various prominent equity funds
- Counsel to acquirer of international time management company
- Counsel to acquirer of an international company's pre-paid calling card business
- Counsel to sellers disposing of their 100% interest in a book publishing company

Education

- University of Utah, College of Law (J.D., 1995)
- Brigham Young University (B.S., Accounting, 1992)

Languages

- Japanese

Professional Memberships & Activities

- Securities Section, State Bar of Utah
- American Bar Association
- Salt Lake County Bar Association
- Business Law Section, California State Bar Association

Professional Recognition & Awards

- Mountain States Super Lawyers®, Mergers & Acquisitions (2017-2019)
- The Best Lawyers in America®, Corporate Governance Law, Corporate Compliance Law (2007-2020); Corporate Law (2014-2020); Mediation (2007-2013)
 - Salt Lake City Lawyer of the Year, Corporate Compliance Law (2016)
 - Salt Lake City Lawyer of the Year, Corporate Governance Law (2014)
- Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business®, Corporate/Mergers & Acquisitions (2004-2011, 2015-2019)
- Utah's Legal Elite: Corporate Law and Transactions (2003-2011, 2015, 2017), Mergers and Acquisitions (2018-2019), Utah Business Magazine

Other Professional Experience

- Snell & Wilmer, Associate, Salt Lake City, UT (1996-2001)
- Andrews and Kurth, L.L.P., Associate, Los Angeles, CA (1995-1996)

Bar Admissions

- Utah
- California

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Utah
- Supreme Court of California
- United States District Court, District of Utah
- United States District Court, Eastern District of California
- United States District Court, Southern District of California