

# Snell & Wilmer

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## **Garth D. Stevens**

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### **Main Bio**

Garth Stevens' practice is concentrated in general corporate, transactional and securities law focusing on mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance, complex joint ventures, venture capital, securities regulatory compliance, licensing transactions, and commercial agreements. His experience includes representation of clients in a variety of industries including high technology products and services, education services, software, business process outsourcing, biotechnology and genome sciences, industrial products, food products, real estate development, and waste management services. Garth's practice includes providing advice to U.S. clients on Canadian corporate and business law matters and advice to Canadian clients on U.S. corporate, business and securities law matters.

Garth is the former chairman of the firm's Corporate and Securities practice group.

### **Representative Transactions**

#### ***Mergers and Acquisitions***

- Represented multiple publicly traded waste management companies in multiple strategic acquisitions and roll-up transactions
- Represented integrated solid waste management and propane services company in sale to publicly traded waste management company
- Represented private owners of affiliated solid waste management companies in multiple strategic transactions and landfill development projects
- Represented liquid waste management company in multiple roll-up acquisitions
- Represented solar components manufacturing company in multiple acquisitions of other solar components manufacturers
- Represented leading professional dental education company in its sale to private equity firm
- Represented public semiconductor manufacturer in multiple strategic acquisitions
- Represented seller group in sale of pharmaceutical consulting company to Irish public company
- Represented heavy truck wheel manufacturer in acquisition of competing truck wheel company and in subsequent disposition of wheel component subsidiary
- Represented manufactured home company in two separate strategic acquisitions through Chapter 11, Section 363 sale transactions

- Represented computer reseller in multiple Chapter 11, Section 363 sale transactions of various divisions
- Represented sellers in sale of injection molding company to publicly traded strategic purchaser
- Represented sellers in sale of early childhood education centers company
- Represented sellers in sale of construction supply company to European acquirer
- Represented sellers in sale of internet dating web sites company to private equity firm
- Represented food products company in multiple strategic acquisitions
- Represented human genome sciences company in merger with medical diagnostics services company
- Represented seller in sale of chewing gum manufacturing business to publicly traded strategic purchaser
- Represented U.S. subsidiary of Canadian investment fund in acquisition of private waste water service company
- Represented sellers in sale of nutritional supplements company to private equity firm
- Represented buyer group in acquisition of multiple brand luxury automobile dealership
- Represented seller group in sale of swimming pool construction and retail products company to private equity firm

### ***Venture Capital and Private Equity Services/Emerging Business Services***

- Represented human genome sciences company in formation, multiple private placement equity financing rounds and negotiation of joint venture agreements
- Represented identity theft and privacy management solutions provider in formation and initial private placement financing rounds
- Represented high technology footbed company in reorganization, multiple private placement financings, and negotiation of agreements with strategic partners
- Represented food cooking technology company in multiple private placement financing rounds and related acquisition and development of intellectual property
- Represented private equity firm in convertible note investment in printed electronics company

### ***International***

- Represented U.S. food products company in acquisition of group of affiliated Canadian companies
- Represented Canadian public technology services company in multiple acquisitions of U.S. technology companies
- Represented U.S.-based call center company in acquisition of Philippines call center business and formation of Nicaraguan joint venture call center business
- Represented Philippines-based business process outsourcing company in acquisition of U.S. business process outsourcing company and integration with Indian affiliate
- Represented European solar equipment manufacturer in establishment and operation of U.S. business and negotiation of multiple product sale agreements
- Represented European telecom component manufacturer in negotiation of multiple umbrella sales agreements
- Represented U.S. printed circuit board producer in acquisition of Taiwan and South Korean businesses

- Represented U.S. semiconductor company in acquisition of Canadian semiconductor company
- Represented Canadian real estate investment fund in formation of U.S. subsidiaries and investment transactions
- Represented U.S. company in obtaining exclusive international license of UK construction materials manufacturing technology

## Education

- Dalhousie Law School, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada (LL.B.)
- Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada (B.A., honours)

## Professional Memberships & Activities

- MAPLE Business Council, Co-Founder and Director (2015-2020)
- FAA Certified Private Pilot; Instrument Rated

## Representative Presentations & Publications

- "[Understanding the New Reporting Obligations Under the Corporate Transparency Act](#)," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Legal Alert (November 16, 2023)
- "[Unfazed By US Election, M&A Is Poised For Growth](#)," Quoted, Law360 (October 20, 2020)
- "[On Your Marks, Get Set... and Get Set Some More: Preparing a Private Company for Sale](#)"
- "[5 New Year's Resolutions for M&A Attorneys](#)," Quoted, Law360 (January 1, 2020)
- "[4 New Year's Resolutions For M&A Attorneys](#)," Quoted, Law360 (January 1, 2019)

## Community Involvement

- Emergency Services Air Crew, Civil Air Patrol (U.S. Air Force Auxiliary), 302 Composite Squadron (2022 – present)
- St. Joseph the Worker Board of Directors (2019-Present)
  - Chair (2024)
- DrugFreeAzKids.org, Board of Directors (2008-2014), Chairman (2011-2013)
- Honorary Commander, 425th Fighter Squadron, Luke Air Force Base, Arizona (2010-2012)
- Junior Achievement, Volunteer Middle School Classroom Advisor (2008-2013)

## Previous Professional Experience

- Lang Michener (now McMillan LLP), Associate, Vancouver, B.C. (1995-2000)

## Bar Admissions

- Arizona
- California

## Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Arizona
- Supreme Court of California