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PRACTICES Finance, Private Credit Finance, Leveraged Financings, Multi-Currency/Cross Border Financings, Private Equity

Ben Owens is a partner in the Finance Practice Group in Haynes Boone’s Charlotte office and focuses on leveraged finance and private credit transactions. Ben’s practice consists primarily of the structuring, negotiation and documentation of syndicated and bilateral credit facilities of all types – including secured and unsecured structures, investment grade credit facilities, multicurrency and cross-border transactions, acquisition financings, unitranche facilities and financings for sponsor-backed companies. Ben also assists private credit clients with other types of non-dilutive capital investments and equity kickers. While Ben has worked on financings for public and private companies in many different industries, his private credit practice has a primary focus on the healthcare industry.

Ben has been recognized among “Ones to Watch” in the Banking and Finance Law category by *Best Lawyers in America*, Woodward/White, Inc., from 2021-2024.

Outside of the office, Ben serves on the board of directors of Child Care Resources Inc. (a non-profit focused on improving access to early childhood education in Charlotte and the surrounding areas) and is a member of the Alumni Council for UNC’s Kenan-Flagler Business School.

QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Alabama School of Law, 2012, magna cum laude; Order of the Coif; Bench & Bar Legal Honor Society
- B.S., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2009, Wachovia Award of Excellence in Operations Management

ADMISSIONS

- North Carolina
 - Alabama
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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ENGAGEMENTS

- Child Care Resources, Board Member
 - UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School Alumni Council, Member
 - Alabama State Bar
 - North Carolina Bar Association
 - American Bar Association
 - UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School Alumni Council
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SELECTED CLIENT REPRESENTATIONS

- Represented a private credit fund on a \$200 million secured term loan facility to finance a transformative add-on acquisition by a sponsor-owned healthcare services company.
- Represented the left lead arranger and administrative agent on a \$1.5 billion revolving credit facility to an investment grade insurance company, which included ESG-based pricing.
- Represented a private credit fund in connection with a \$300 million note purchase agreement for a publicly traded commercial-stage biotechnology company.
- Represented the left lead arranger and administrative agent on a \$350 million secured credit facility to finance the acquisition of a publicly traded sports and entertainment company in a go-private transaction.
- Represented the left lead arranger and administrative agent on a \$2.6 billion multi-currency credit facility to an investment grade automotive parts distributor, which was used to finance a material cross-border acquisition.
- Represented a private credit fund in connection with a CHF 75 million credit facility for a publicly traded commercial-stage biopharmaceutical company.
- Represented the left lead arranger and administrative agent on a \$550 million revolving and term loan credit facility for a concrete company. The credit facility went through a number of iterations as it was upsized to finance various add-on acquisitions.
- Represented the left lead arranger and administrative agent in connection with a \$116.5 million unsecured term loan facility to an information services company.
- Represented a private credit fund on a \$150 million secured term loan facility and accompanying warrants for a publicly traded pharmaceutical company.
- Represented the left lead arranger and administrative agent on a \$325 million credit facility to provide financing for a transformative acquisition by a diversified manufacturing company.
- Represented a private credit fund on a \$75 million secured term loan facility to, and direct equity and warrant investments in, a medical device company.
- Represented a private credit fund on a \$50 million secured term loan facility for a medical device company, which involved the structuring and negotiation of intercreditor arrangements with another lender providing an asset-based revolver to the company.
- Represented the left lead arranger and administrative agent on a \$300 million revolving multi-currency credit facility to an investment grade plastics manufacturer.

Some of these representations were handled by Ben prior to joining Haynes Boone.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Woodward/White, Inc., Banking and Finance Law "Ones to Watch," 2021-2024

