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PRACTICES Mergers and Acquisitions, Investment Management, Capital Markets and Securities, Corporate, Texas Corporate Governance, Fund Formation and Management, Debt and Equity Financing, Franchise and Distribution

Kellie Bobo is a partner in the Mergers and Acquisitions and Investment Management Practice Groups in the Austin office at Haynes Boone, with a focus on advising clients in complex domestic and cross-border transactions. Her practice encompasses mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, private equity investments, and general corporate matters across a diverse range of industries.

Kellie has extensive experience representing public and private companies, private equity firms, and family offices in structuring and negotiating strategic transactions. She provides counsel on entity formation, corporate governance, and compliance matters, ensuring that clients navigate the marketplace effectively. In addition, Kellie represents clients across a broad range of industries in various corporate and securities matters, including the preparation of securities filings with the SEC.

Kellie has experience in various corporate transactions, including:

- Advises on mergers, acquisitions, buyouts, and recapitalizations involving both public and private companies, including private equity portfolio companies.
 - Represents issuers in offerings and private placements of equity, debt, and convertible securities, as well as venture capital financings.
 - Structures and forms business entities such as corporations, partnerships, and LLCs.
 - Counsels clients on general corporate matters and regulatory compliance, including for private equity and hedge funds.
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QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- B.A., Political Science, University of Florida, 2009, *magna cum laude*
- B.S., Business Administration, University of Florida, 2009, *magna cum laude*; Florida Blue Key Inductee
- J.D., The University of Texas School of Law, 2012, *with honors*; *Texas Journal of Oil, Gas and Energy Law*; *The Review of Litigation*

CLERKSHIPS

- Law Clerk, Office of the Attorney General of Texas, July 2010-August 2010

Intern, for Justice Johnson, Supreme Court of Texas, May 2010-June 2010

Intern, State Attorney's Office's Domestic Abuse Unit, June 2006-August 2006

ADMISSIONS

- Texas
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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ENGAGEMENTS

- State Bar of Texas
 - Texas Wall Street Women
 - Center for Women in Law
 - Association for Corporate Growth
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SELECTED CLIENT REPRESENTATIONS

- Represented Construction Partners, Inc. in its \$950 million acquisition of Asphalt Inc., LLC, d/b/a Lone Star Paving, a prominent Austin, Texas-based asphalt manufacturing and paving company.
- Represented Nabors Industries Ltd. in its agreement to acquire Parker Wellbore in exchange for 4.8 million shares of Nabors common stock, valued at approximately \$472 million, including debt.
- Acted as legal advisor for Palogic Value Fund, L.P. in Kontron America, Inc.'s definitive merger agreement to acquire the remaining 82.69% stake in BSQUARE Corporation for \$38.5 million.
- Represented South Summit Capital LLC, a single-family office providing investment and financial management for the John M. Belk family, in the acquisition of a controlling equity interest in NRP LLC, parent company of New Republic Capital, LLC, an SEC-registered investment adviser and wealth management firm.
- Represented The HC Companies, a leading North American manufacturer of horticultural containers, in the sale of its business to PE Amber Holding Corporation, an affiliate of Platinum Equity.
- Represented Vericast Corp. fka Harland Clarke Holdings Corp., a media company in the sale of all of the equity interests of its wholly owned subsidiary, a direct marketing, online marketing, graphic design and color printing business.
- USA Environmental Holdings, Inc., a leader in specialized environmental remediation and industrial services provider, in a sale of its business to Entact, LLC.
- Owners of Smith Asset Management Group, L.P., a hedge fund, in the sale of its investment management services company to Cantor Fitzgerald Investment Advisors
- Cabinet Essentials Group, LLC, the franchisor and manufacturer of customizable shelving and storage solutions in the equity sale of its subsidiary companies, including ShelfGenie, to the largest home services franchisor in the world, Neighborly.
- Represented a pool and spa services franchise in the US portion of an international equity investment transaction involving the sale of its US-based business.
- A professional fund in its co-investment into a company specialized in the collection of startup data and the automation of startup deal-sourcing and assessment efforts.
- Trive Capital in its purchase of SSW Holding Company, Inc., a leading engineered products manufacturer supplying a broad product portfolio for the residential/commercial appliance,

residential/commercial HVAC, and other industrial segments.

- Alamo Drafthouse through an organizational restructuring and a subsequent minority sale of its equity interests to Altamont Capital Partners.
- Ventavia Research Group, one of the largest privately-own clinical research companies in a sell of its business assets to SCR of Texas, LLC an affiliate of Grant Avenue Capital.
- Vericast Corp., a marketing company, in the sale of Clipper Magazine LLC, one of the largest direct-mail publishers in the United States.
- Palogic Capital Management in its acquisition of the RIA business of Peters Wealth Management.
- Spin-out of the “investment partners group” of Crow Holdings to create a new registered investment adviser, CH Investment Partners, L.L.C.
- Represented a family office in acquiring numerous fast food chain restaurants.
- Represented Montare Resources in the formation of a private fund to acquire interests in SandRidge Permian Trust and formation of a new operating company.
- Heritage Bag Company, a Texas-based manufacturer of plastic can liners and other packaging products, in the sale to Novolex Holdings, Inc.
- The Curotto-Can, Inc., known for its automated carry can that mounts to the forks of a commercial front loader, in its stock sale to The Heil Co. d/b/a Environmental Solutions Group.
- SunTx Capital Partners in its sale of Huron Inc., an automotive industry part manufacturer.
- Trive Capital in its acquisition of Pental Granite and Marble, LLC, a wholesale tile and stone distributor based out of Washington.
- The owners of a background screening provider in the sale of a minority interest in the company.
- Enkitec, an IT services and consulting company, in its sale to Accenture PLC.
- An investment management client in the sale of its private equity fund administrator division, which provides back office services to various third party and affiliated private equity funds, to a major international conglomerate.
- An investment management client in the acquisition, through an asset purchase agreement, of the management rights to more than 40 non-registered and 40-Act-registered private equity fund-of-funds and certain related assets and employees from the alternative asset management business of a major international bank.
- A large U.S. investment manager as co-investor in a growth equity capital investment in an application performance infrastructure company.
- Wingate Partners V, L.P. in its \$110 million acquisition of the lawn and garden division of Myers Industries, Inc., an international manufacturer of polymer products for the industrial, agricultural, automotive, commercial, and consumer markets.
- Vericast (f/k/a Harland Clarke Corp.) and its related entities in various acquisitions.
- Williamson-Dickie Mfg. Co. in its purchase of Walls Holding Company, Inc.
- Krispy Kreme Doughnut Corporation in various franchising acquisitions and dispositions.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- Recipient of the 15th Annual Emerging Leaders Awards from The M&A Advisor, 2024
- Named as one of Austin’s Top Attorneys, *Austin Monthly*, Open Sky Media, 2024
- Recognized as an *Austin Business Journal*, Heather Ladage, Profiles in Power honoree, 2021