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### *Related Services*

Corporate & Finance ■ Mergers & Acquisitions ■ Private Equity ■ Capital Markets & Securities ■ Corporate Governance ■ Corporate & Business Transactions ■ Oil & Gas

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Mitchell Griffith focuses his practice on mergers and acquisitions, private equity and venture capital, securities offerings, corporate governance, and other corporate matters. His experience includes equity financings for privately and publicly held companies, stock and asset acquisitions, joint ventures, reporting obligations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, compliance with corporate governance regulations, public and private securities offerings, and other securities transactions in a variety of industries, including energy (including upstream, midstream, oilfield services and renewables), telecommunications, cryptocurrency, and technology.

Mitchell is recognized in the 2023-2024 editions of *The Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup> for his work in Oil and Gas Law.

### *Representative Experience*

#### **Private Equity M&A**

- Represented a private equity fund in the approximately \$1.6 billion sale of a midstream oil and gas company.
- Represented a natural gas and oil exploration and production company in the combination of three affiliated entities and reorganization under one holding company and related issuance of common and preferred units for approximately \$750 million to several private equity funds.
- Represented a midstream oil and gas company in its sale to a private equity fund for approximately \$185 million.
- Represented two private equity funds in the sale of their investment in a group of agricultural companies for approximately \$100 million.
- Represented a private-equity-backed portfolio company in its acquisition of oil and gas properties, rights, and related assets from an NYSE-listed oil and gas exploration and production company for approximately \$310 million.
- Represented a private equity fund in the sale of a sports marketing company for more than \$2 billion.

#### **Strategic M&A**

- Represented a privately held natural gas and oil exploration and production company in its approximately \$2.4 billion merger with an NYSE-listed oil and gas company, which included Permian Basin oil and gas properties.
- Represented a provider of pipeline construction, integrity support, pipe, and vessel coating and insulation services for companies in the oil and gas industry in the approximately \$30 million sale of substantially all its assets to a subsidiary of a Nasdaq-listed specialty construction and infrastructure company.

- Represented a natural gas and oil exploration and production company in the approximately \$1.2 billion sale of substantially all its assets as part of a Chapter 11 proceeding.
- Represented ZenFi Networks , an East coast-based provider of digital infrastructure solutions, in its sale to BAI Communications, a world leader in shared communications infrastructure.

## ***Private Equity & Venture Capital***

- Represented a private equity fund in the capitalization of a portfolio company to develop solar projects that qualify for investment tax credits.
- Represented a solar company in the sale of \$10 million in equity and a commercial collaboration agreement.
- Represented a cryptocurrency mining company in two rounds of venture capital investments.
- Represented a solar company in the negotiation of a development services agreement alongside the commitment of a \$22 million investment from a private equity sponsor.
- Represented a private equity sponsor in its \$500 million investment in an oil and gas exploration company.
- Represented a Canadian private equity firm in the formation of a \$200 million joint venture focusing on energy infrastructure, shipping, and logistics.
- Represented a private equity sponsor in its \$300 million investment in an oil and gas exploration and production company.
- Represented a private equity sponsor in its \$290 million investment in a mineral and royalty company focused primarily on the acquisition and management of properties in the Permian Basin.
- Represented a specialty asset management and financial services company in the private offering of limited partnership interests to help fund the development of several hotels in the Eagle Ford Shale region of South Texas.
- Represented a private equity fund in two rounds of venture capital investments in a service provider for enterprise-level human resources and financial management software.

## ***Capital Markets & Securities***

- Represented a private equity fund in a tender offer for Argentinian bonds.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company in a tender offer for outstanding ordinary shares of an Irish drug manufacturer.
- Represented a provider of outsourced network and infrastructure services to the telecommunications industry in the private issuance of \$225 million aggregate principal amount of senior secured notes.
- Represented a manufacturer of pumps, valves, seals, and components in a \$500 million offering of investment-grade senior notes.
- Represented Excess Energy, LLC in its contribution and exchange agreement with Dallas-based Dorchester Minerals L.P. (DMLP), pursuant to which Excess Energy contributed certain of its interests in oil and gas properties to DMLP in exchange for 816,719 Common Units in DMLP.

## ***General Corporate***

- Represented a midstream oil and gas company in the dissolution of a joint venture.
- Represented an investor group in the formation and capitalization of a nationally recognized online news and opinion website.

- Counseled a leading telecommunications services company in premerger integration planning.
- Represented an international airline industry association in the negotiation of an agreement for the assumption of liabilities by the surviving airline of a merger between two of the world's largest airlines.
- Negotiated various outsourcing agreements for an NYSE-listed retail company.
- Managed the reincorporation process from Florida to Texas for an oil and gas exploration and production company.
- Negotiated various outsourcing agreements for a Nasdaq-listed airline.
- Counsel to a private-equity-backed shipping logistics company in multiple add-on acquisitions.

## ***Publications & Presentations***

### ***Publications***

- "‘Rep and Warranty’ Insurance: Claims Study Analysis," *Law360*, December 7, 2016.
- "A Look Beyond ‘Rep and Warranty’ Insurance," *Law360*, December 6, 2016.

### ***Professional & Community Engagement***

- State Bar of Texas
- Dallas Bar Association

### ***Education***

- Harvard University (J.D., 2010)
- University of Texas at Austin (B.B.A., B.A., 2007)

### ***Admitted to Practice***

- Texas