

EDWARD L. PROKOP, Partner

Edward L. Prokop is a co-chair of the firm's Cross-Border Transactions Practice and a co-chair of the Corporate Department. Mr. Prokop has advised clients in a variety of domestic and cross-border public and private transactions, both on the buy-side and sell-side, including mergers, stock and asset purchases, restructurings and leveraged acquisitions, as well as joint ventures and strategic alliances. He has also represented private equity and asset management clients on a variety of transactions, including acquisitions, portfolio company transactions and the formation of private investment funds. Mr. Prokop also regularly counsels clients on corporate governance, fiduciary, ethics and disclosure matters.

Mr. Prokop has worked closely with clients from a broad spectrum of industries including, among others, financial, energy, infrastructure, healthcare, food production and distribution, manufacturing, media, technology and investment management.

Mr. Prokop serves as a member of Jenner & Block's Diversity & Inclusion Committee and is actively involved in many of Jenner & Block's diversity and inclusion initiatives. In 2017, Mr. Prokop was among a global network of prominent business and civic leaders who won *M&A Advisor's* 8th Annual Emerging Leaders Award. In 2018, Mr. Prokop was one of just six lawyers recognized as an M&A "Rising Star" by *Law360*.

Prior to joining Jenner & Block, Mr. Prokop was a senior associate in the New York office of an international law firm where he served as a member of the firm's Associate Board.

Representative Matters:

- Provided corporate and regulatory advice to NYSE-traded broadcast, digital media and marketing services company in connection with the acquisition of two television stations for \$105 million (2018), the acquisition of 19 television stations for \$1.32 billion (2019), and the acquisition 2 television stations and radio stations for \$535 million (2019).
- Represented Swiss multinational, chemical and biotechnology company in connection with \$630 million sale of its global water care business.
- Represented global aerospace and defense company in its acquisition of a publicly traded IT solutions business for \$9.7 billion.
- Represented global NYSE-traded food company in its acquisition by NYSE-traded company for \$6 billion.
- Represented multinational food manufacturer and distributor in connection with various matters, including the asset sale of its US chips and crackers business to a NYSE-traded food company, the asset sale of its North American breadcrumb business to a leading dry-food contract packager, the stock sale of its North American cookie product business to a private equity investment firm, the implementation of a corporate restructuring of its US businesses and general corporate counseling with respect to its US



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EDUCATION

Fordham University School of Law, JD,
2009

Fordham University, MA in International
Political Economy and Development, 2009

University of Connecticut, BA, 2006

ADMISSIONS

New York, 2010

operations.

- Represented global producer of components and solutions relating to controlling electric motors and powering mobile machinery in connection with its alliance with a public-private partnership between New York State and a multinational industrial conglomerate.
- Represented a broadband service company with respect to securing regulatory approvals for \$90 billion merger with a video service provider and telecommunications company.
- Represented premium pet food manufacturer in connection with its sale to mature portfolio company of New York-based NYSE-traded private equity fund for a purchase price of \$320 million.
- Represented global private brand and consumer interactions company in connection with sale of sales and marketing joint venture to mature portfolio company of Boston-based private equity fund for a purchase price of \$340 million.
- Represented specialist healthcare growth equity and venture capital firm in connection with joint venture with NYSE-traded global medical technology business to develop its \$230 million revenue biologics and clinical therapies division.
- Represented wireless communications company in connection with sale of business and wireless spectrum licenses to Dallas, Texas-based NYSE-traded multinational telecommunications company for a purchase price of \$53 million.
- Represented London Stock Exchange-traded international engineering and project management company in connection with acquisition of leading US engineering and environmental services company for a purchase price of \$280 million.
- Represented Louisville, Kentucky-based subsidiary of NYSE-traded fast food company in connection with brand-wide negotiations with US franchisees relating to major capital investments made in connection with national brand overhaul and reimagining.
- Represented master franchisee for the Middle East and Northern African in connection with negotiation of master franchise agreement and 250 outlet regional development plan with Miami, Florida-based hamburger fast food restaurant chain.
- Represented subsidiary of NYSE-traded aerospace and defense company in connection with joint venture with NYSE-traded aerospace manufacturer to establish partnership relating business jet aircraft component part manufacturing.
- Represented US subsidiary of Amsterdam based global marketer and distributor of dairy products in connection with joint venture with Texas-based dairy production cooperative relating to construction of dairy processing facility.
- Represented Florida-based manufacturer of luxury leisure furniture in connection with complex corporate restructuring of its North American business operations.
- Represented London Stock Exchange-traded flavor and fragrance company in connection with various M&A transactions in the US.
- Represented Denmark-based global producer of components and solutions relating to controlling electric motors and powering mobile machinery in connection with various M&A transactions in the US and general corporate counseling with respect to its US operations.
- Represented NYSE-traded real estate investment trust in connection with debt financing from leading manager of institutional assets, permitting the issuance of up to \$100 million in senior unsecured promissory notes to the manager and its affiliates and managed accounts.

- Represented NYSE-traded real estate investment trust in connection with registered direct offering for gross proceeds in excess of \$180 million.
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- Represented NASDAQ-traded biotechnology company in connection with registered A/B exchange offer with respect to multiple classes of senior notes exceeding \$600 million.
- Represented Pittsburgh-based independent oil and gas operating company focused on the acquisition and development of shale resources in connection with \$30 million preferred equity commitment.
- Represented New York-based hedge fund in connection with negotiation of asset sourcing and investment management joint venture with Connecticut-based hedge fund in connection with sourcing of up to \$100 million of unconventional alternative assets.
- Represented New York-based global infrastructure private equity fund in connection with acquisition of vessels that service the Brazilian offshore oil and gas market.
- Represented high-profile family office investment entity, in connection with its investment in joint venture entity formed for the purpose of acquiring several entities engaged in the business of providing hotel management and operations services.
- Represented New York-based alternative investment management company with a focus on Latin America in connection with its equity investment in a joint venture entity formed to acquire various wind farm projects located in Chile.
- Represented western-Africa based multinational insurance company in connection with its sale of a forty percent equity interest to Morocco-based industrial and financial group and negotiation of related \$50 million capital infusion.
- Represented high profile private equity firm active in African natural resources sector in connection with fund formation and negotiation of \$100 million seed investment.

Awards

- *Crain's New York Business*
Notable Diverse Leaders in Law - 2022
- *New York Law Journal*
"Rising Star" - 2022
- *Legal 500 US*
"Next Generation Lawyer" - M&A: Middle-Market (\$500M-999M) - 2020, 2021
M&A/Corporate and Commercial - M&A: Middle-Market (\$500M-999M) - 2018-2021

Publications

- Co-Author, Client Alert: Loaded for Bear: An Overview of the Federal Reserve's Corporate Credit Facilities, August 12, 2020
- Contributor, Client Alert: Ready for Launch (Redux)? An Updated Analysis of the Federal Reserve's Rapidly Changing Main Street Lending Facilities, June 15, 2020
- Contributor, Client Alert: Ready for Launch? An Analysis of the Federal Reserve's Main Street Lending Facilities, June 2, 2020

- Contributor, Client Alert: Regulatory Alert: An Analysis of the Federal Reserve's New and Expanded Programs to Support the US Economy, April 14, 2020
- Contributor, Client Alert: Legislative Update: An Analysis of the Historic \$2 Trillion CARES Act, March 30, 2020
- Contributor, Client Alert: Legislative Update: An Analysis of the Historic \$2 Trillion CARES Act, March 30, 2020
- Co-Author, "FCC Adopts Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Remand Limiting Local Regulation of Cable Services in Light of Sixth Circuit Decision in *Montgomery County, MD v. FCC*," *Intellectual Property & Technology Law Journal*, December 7, 2018
- FCC Adopts Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Remand Limiting Local Regulation of Cable Services in Light of Sixth Circuit Decision in *Montgomery County, MD v. FCC*, September 27, 2018
- Federal Communications Commission Adopts Order Imposing New Privacy Rules on ISPs, *Communications, Internet & Technology*, November 1, 2016

Speaking Engagements

- Panelist, "Artful Drafting: Designing Commercial Contracts to Avoid Disputes," Association of Corporate Counsel of New York City, December 05, 2019