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John Schippert is a senior associate in Alston & Bird's Corporate & Business Transactions Group. He advises clients on business combinations and divestitures, debt and equity securities offerings, and general corporate matters. He earned his J.D. and M.B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania.

John is recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*® "Ones to Watch" for Mergers and Acquisitions Law.

Before graduate school, John served on active duty for more than eight years as a U.S. Marine Corps infantry officer. In this role, his experiences ranged from commanding operational units on overseas deployments to serving as a policy liaison to the House and Senate Armed Services Committees. He began his military career after earning his B.S. from the U.S. Naval Academy.

Representative Experience

- Represented Salvo Technologies, Inc. and its shareholders in the recapitalization of the company by DBHCAP LLC and Tides Capital LLC. Salvo is a leading producer of photonics and other technologies to serve the security and defense, medical, industrial, semiconductor, commercial, and science markets.
- Represented Specialty Building Products (f/k/a U.S. LUMBER GROUP), a portfolio company of The Jordan Company, in its acquisition of Millwork Sales, a leading distributor and manufacturer of millwork, hardware, and related building products to commercial dealers and retailers in the state of Florida.
- Represented Specialty Building Products (f/k/a U.S. LUMBER GROUP), a portfolio company of The Jordan Company, in its acquisition of Texas-based DW Distribution Inc., a leading regional distributor of building materials and millwork products.
- Advised RELX plc and its subsidiary Accuity, Inc. in connection with the sale its NRS business, which provides compliance and registration products and services to financial services firms, to ComplySci, a portfolio company of K1 Capital.
- Represented Elsevier Inc., a subsidiary of RELX plc, in its acquisition of 100% of the stock of Authess Inc., a developer of software-as-a-service products in the field of job readiness and competency assessments.
- Represented Fifth Third Bancorp, a diversified financial services company headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, in its acquisition of Provide, a fintech company providing a digital platform for healthcare practices.

- Represented Builders FirstSource, a leading manufacturer and distributor of building products to professional homebuilders, in its \$450 million acquisition of WTS Paradigm LLC, a software solutions and services provider for the building products industry.
- Represented Builders FirstSource in the sale of its Eastern U.S. Gypsum Distribution Operations to L&W Supply, a Chicago -based specialty building materials distributor owned by ABC Supply.
- Represented Hilton Grand Vacations in its \$1.4 billion acquisition of Diamond Resorts International, Inc. from funds managed by affiliates of Apollo Global Management, Inc., funds managed by affiliates of Reverence Capital Partners, and other Diamond stockholders.
- Represented Tropical Smoothie Café, a leading franchisor of fast casual cafes, in its sale to Levine Leichtman Capital Partners.
- Represented Madison Dearborn Partners LLC and its portfolio company AEVEX Aerospace in the acquisition of Geodetics Inc.
- Represented Mastodon Design LLC in its sale to CACI International Inc. Mastodon is a leader in the rapid design and manufacturing of rugged signals intelligence (SIGINT), electronic warfare, and cyber operations products and solutions for the U.S. Department of Defense.

Education

- University of Pennsylvania (J.D., 2017)
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- U.S. Naval Academy (B.S., 2006)

Admitted to Practice

- Georgia