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OVERVIEW

A deal attorney with senior-level in-house experience at public companies, Caleb has developed “peripheral deal vision”—he anticipates issues that may not be in plain sight.

Caleb leads and executes complex M&A and corporate transactions from inception through post-closing integration—when, as he knows firsthand, the “real” work for clients begins. While his significant experience across the full range of corporate transactional matters is foundational to moving deals forward, his in-house background enables him to identify and prioritize matters that ultimately could interrupt clients’ day-to-day business operations once deals close.

Caleb joined Husch Blackwell after dedicating more than a decade to helping clients strategically build and grow their businesses, including serving as counsel on multibillion-dollar transactions. He represents manufacturing and technology clients, and other buyers and sellers of public and private companies across a range of industries, sizes, and geographies.

Beyond M&A and corporate transactional work, Caleb advises clients on public capital market issues, including SEC reporting obligations and disclosure matters, general corporate communications, and debt and equity financings, as well as provides strategic counsel on a variety of commercial and business matters, including commercial transactions, regulatory compliance, and real estate transactions.

Industries

Manufacturing
Technology
Transportation

Services

Business Succession Planning
Capital Markets
Commercial Contracting
Corporate
Mergers & Acquisitions
Securities & Corporate Governance
Startups

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Clients value Caleb's versatility, pragmatism, and quarterbacking skills. His responsiveness, empathy, proclivity for digging deep to thoroughly understand the mechanics of an issue, and ability to quickly distill and communicate complex ideas in a digestible manner to cross-functional client teams form a winning approach that successfully and cost-effectively moves deals across the finish line.

Experience

- \$1.35 billion go-public transaction via merger with a special purpose acquisition company (SPAC).
- \$85 million private investment in public equity (PIPE) transaction, consisting of common stock and warrants.
- \$102 million strategic acquisition of a soy processing facility, and the associated \$100 million committed credit facility financing the acquisition.
- Strategic divestiture of real estate assets in a two-part transaction for an aggregate purchase price of \$21 million.
- \$2 billion acquisition of global battery and portable lighting business, and \$1.25 billion acquisition of global auto care business.
- \$2.85 billion credit facility, consisting of \$1.25 billion in notes across the U.S. and European debt markets, \$1.2 billion in new terms loans, and \$400 million in revolving credit.
- Regulatory divestiture of European consumer battery business in the Europe, Middle East, and Africa regions, with a total transaction value of approximately \$300 million.
- \$340 million acquisition of a leading designer and marketer of automotive fragrance and appearance products.

Education

- J.D., Saint Louis University School of Law
 - *magna cum laude*
 - Order of the Woolsack
 - *Public Law Review*, Articles Editor
- B.A., Rockhurst University
 - *magna cum laude*
 - Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society

Admissions

- Missouri
- Illinois (pending)

Community Leadership

- Saint Louis University School of Law, Former Adjunct Professor – Transactional Drafting