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BIOGRAPHY

Mr. Cheng's practice focuses on providing corporate and securities counsel to emerging growth and middle-market companies, ranging from start-ups to public companies, executives and investors in a wide range of industries, including technology, industrials and manufacturing, life sciences, food & beverage, apparel and ecommerce in a diverse set of matters, including early to late stage financings, M&A transactions, and public offerings. He has extensive experience advising investors and acquirers on cross-border transactions, having advised on deals involving the U.S., China, Japan, Germany, Russia, Italy and Brazil, among other jurisdictions.

Languages

Highly proficient in written and spoken Chinese (Mandarin and Cantonese).

Professional Experience

Prior to joining the firm in 2017, Calvin served as Counsel in the Global Merger & Acquisitions Practice of White & Case LLP in Silicon Valley and as an Associate in the Beijing and Los Angeles offices of Morrison & Foerster LLP, where he advised public and private companies, venture capital funds, investment banks, and REITs on mergers and acquisitions, venture financings, public offerings, periodic reporting under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and compliance with SEC, NYSE, and NASDAQ rules.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

1. Advised testing, inspection and engineering services company, RMA Group, in its sale to OceanSound Partners.
2. Advised high end pet products company, SleepyPod, in its sale to strategic acquirer, Paw Prosper.
3. Advised apparel company, Carrie Amber Intimates, in its sale to Salt Creek Capital.
4. Advised Southeast Asian food products importer and distributor in its sale to strategic acquirer.
5. Advised Universal Chung Wah Funeral Directors in its sale to strategic acquirer, Northstar Memorial Group.

PUBLICATIONS

March 2025: Client Alert: Corporate Transparency Act Update - Enforcement Suspended for Domestic Companies

February 2025: Client Alert: Corporate Transparency Act Returns - Updated Deadlines & Compliance Guidance

October 2020: New California Law to Increase Public Company Board Diversity

July 2020: Employment Law Considerations During the COVID Pandemic

Eye on LA - Funding an Emerging Startup Ecosystem (March 2014)

FDIC Extends Securitization Safe Harbor Yet Again; Gains More Time To Further Consider Securitization Reforms (October 2010)

FDIC Issues Final Safe Harbor Rule (March 2010)

BACKGROUND

EDUCATION



UCLA School of Law (J.D.)
University of California, Berkeley (B.A., Honors)
Beijing University (Short-term Studies in Chinese Literature and History)

Accolades & Affiliations

TeachAAPI, Founding Board Member
Asian Pacific CPA Association, Board Member
Weingart-East Los Angeles YMCA, Board Member (2010-2015)