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Advises on domestic and cross-border M&A transactions, joint ventures, minority and preferred investments, restructurings, related-party transactions and corporate finance.

With over 20 years of experience, Jeffrey has advised corporations and private equity firms on transactional matters with an aggregate value in excess of \$150 billion.

He has extensive experience advising clients on corporate governance, activism, takeover preparedness and fiduciary duty matters.

Jeffrey has worked on transactions in a variety of industries, including healthcare and pharmaceuticals, technology services, telecommunications, energy, transportation, financial services, media and entertainment and manufacturing.

Practices

MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS

PRIVATE EQUITY

Bar Admissions

New York

Education

Dalhousie University, LL.B.

McGill University, B.A.

- with honors

Representations

- Accenture in connection in its acquisition of Mortgage Cadence
- The Special Committee of the Board of Directors of Alliance Data Systems Corporation in its proposed \$7.8 billion sale to Blackstone
- Ally Bank in its:
 - \$585 million sale of a MSR portfolio to Ocwen Financial Corporation
 - \$280 million sale of a MSR portfolio to Quicken Loans
- America Online, Inc. in its \$200 million investment in TiVo
- Angelo, Gordon & Co. in its \$296 million acquisition of Benihana
- Asset Acceptance Capital Corporation in its \$205 million sale to Encore Capital Group
- AuRico Gold in its:
 - \$408 million acquisition of Capital Gold Corporation
 - \$1.5 billion acquisition of Northgate Minerals Corporation
- Axiall Corporation in its \$3.8 billion sale to Westlake Chemical Corporation
- The Blackstone Group in its:
 - \$26 billion acquisition proposal for Dell Technologies
 - \$960 million acquisition of Team Health Holdings from a consortium led by Madison Dearborn Partners
 - \$2.75 billion bid to purchase Intelsat Ltd.
 - \$3 billion bid to purchase the telephone directory business of Qwest Communications (consortium included Thomas H. Lee Partners, Bain Capital and Providence Equity Partners)
 - \$2 billion share exchange with Allied Waste Industries Inc. (consortium included Apollo, Greenwich Street Capital and DLJ)

Merchant Banking)

- \$956 million acquisition of the assets of New Skies Satellites
- Bristol-Myers Squibb in its \$885 million acquisition of ZymoGenetics
- The Carlyle Group in its \$4 billion sale of Signode Industrial Group to Crown Holdings
- Clearwire Corporation in the combination of Clearwire and the WiMax business of Sprint Nextel and the related \$3.2 billion investment in the combined company by Comcast, Time Warner Cable and other investors
- CSC ServiceWorks and Pamplona Capital in the \$524 million acquisition of Mac-Gray Corporation
- CVC Capital Partners in its:
 - \$703 million acquisition of Teva Pharmaceutical's non-US Women's Health assets
 - \$2.1 billion acquisition of Univar
- Dakota Growers Pasta Company in its \$240 million sale to Viterra
- DHL in its:
 - \$90 million minority investment in ASTAR Air Cargo Holdings
 - Two internal restructuring of DHL's operations in the United States
 - \$1.4 billion acquisition of Airborne
 - Sale of DHL Airways to BD Air Partners
- Diamond S Shipping in its \$1.65 billion merger with the tanker business of Capital Product Partners
- Ferraro Foods Corporation in the sale of all its assets to Kainos Capital
- Galenica AG in its \$1.53 billion acquisition of Relypsa

- Hess Corporation in the \$2.8 billion sale of its retail business to Speedway
- IMC Global in the \$450 million recapitalization of its soda ash business
- Ingersoll-Rand Company in its \$1.8 billion acquisition of Hussman International
- Koch Equity Development in the acquisition of Truck-Lite Co., alongside BDT Capital Partners
- KKR in its:
 - \$2.2 billion acquisition of Jostens, Von Hoffman Corporation and Arcade Marketing from DLJ Merchant Banking
 - \$180 million sale of NewSouth Holdings to NuVox (consortium consisting of KKR, M/C Venture Partners, Wachovia Capital Partners and Quadrangle Capital Partners)
 - \$550 million trust preferred investment in DPL Capital Trust I and DPL Inc.
 - Willis Group Holdings (portfolio company) in connection with the company's redomiciliation to Bermuda
 - Primedia (portfolio company) in its \$200 million sale of securities to Liberty Media Corporation and the simultaneous \$25 million purchase of securities in Liberty Digital
 - Primedia in its \$200 million share exchange with CMGI
- Metavante Technologies in its \$2.94 billion sale to Fidelity National Information Services
- MidOcean Partners in the \$450 million acquisition of Sbarro
- Nutrien in its:
 - \$4.1 billion sale of its minority interest in Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile to Tianqi Lithium Corporation
 - \$502 million sale of its minority interest in Arab Potash Company to SDIC Mining Investment

- \$700 million private offering of its minority interest in Israel Chemicals LTD
- Official Payments Holdings in its \$167 million sale to ACI Worldwide
- Orchestra Prémaman in its attempted acquisition of Destination Maternity Corporation
- Paxar Corporation in its \$1.34 billion sale to Avery Dennison Corporation
- Pfizer in its:
 - \$635 million acquisition of the marketed vaccines portfolio of Baxter International
 - Collaboration agreement with Mylan for the manufacture and distribution of generic drugs in Japan
- PHH Corporation in its:
 - \$360 million sale to Ocwen Financial Corporation
 - \$912 million sale of its non-GNMA MSR portfolio to New Residential Investment Corporation, as well as the entry into a subservicing agreement for 480,000 mortgage loans
 - \$122 million sale of substantially all of its GNMA MSR portfolio to Lakeview Loan Servicing, as well as the sale of its private label servicing business
 - \$1.4 billion sale of its fleet management services business to Element Financial Corporation
- Relativity Media in its 363 sale of television assets to creditors
- Carlo Salvi in his capacity as the largest shareholder of Sicom, in its \$3.4 billion sale to Teva Pharmaceutical
- Solutia, Inc. in its \$225 million acquisition of a 50% interest in the Flexsys Rubber Chemicals joint venture from Akzo Nobel
- Spectrum Equity in its capacity as the largest shareholder of Ancestry.com, in its \$1.6 billion sale to Permira

- STATS ChipPac Ltd. in its \$1.5 billion sale to Singapore Technologies Semiconductors
- Sun Capital Partners in its:
 - Successful proxy contest for the election of a slate of directors to the board of Furniture Brands International
 - \$750 million unsolicited acquisition of Kellwood Company
- Swiss Reinsurance Company in its \$6.8 billion acquisition of GE's reinsurance business
- TCA Cable TV, Inc. in its \$4 billion sale to Cox Communications
- Teva Pharmaceutical in its:
 - \$6.8 billion acquisition of Cephalon
 - Acquisition of NuPathe
- Thomas H. Lee Partners, Lexa Partners, Bain Capital and Providence Equity Partners in their \$2.6 billion acquisition of the Warner Music Group from Time Warner
- T-Mobile in \$4.5 billion in financings and other related-party transactions with Deutsche Poste
- TonenGeneral Sekiyu in its combination with JX Group
- Twin River Worldwide Holdings in its stock merger with Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment
- Vestar Capital Partners in its:
 - Acquisition of Roland Foods Corporation
 - \$695 million sale of AT Holdings Corporation to Eaton Corporation
- VNU N.V. in its:
 - €8.7 billion sale to AlplInvest Partners, Blackstone, Carlyle, Hellman & Friedman, KKR and Thomas H. Lee Partners
 - Proposed \$7 billion acquisition of IMS Health

- €2.075 billion sale of VNU World Directories to Apax Partners and Cinven Limited
 - Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe in its:
 - Acquisition of Peak 10
 - \$730 million sale of Peak 10 to GI Partners
 - \$524 million sale of ITC^Deltacom to EarthLink
 - \$290 million recapitalization of Service Repair Solutions
 - ZM Capital in its:
 - Acquisition of Cannella Response Television and Cable Response Television
 - \$536 million acquisition of Airvana by a consortium led by S.A.C. Private Capital
 - \$760 million acquisition of Tekelec by a consortium led by Siris Capital
 - Acquisition of ISS assets from Microsoft
 - U.S. Foodservice in its \$3.6 billion sale to Koninklijke Ahold
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Memberships

- American Bar Association
 - New York State Bar Association
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Distinctions

- *The American Lawyer* – Dealmaker of the Year, 2011

Prior Experience

- Jones Day
- Kirkland & Ellis
- Simpson Thacher