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OVERVIEW

Cooper Hawley is a corporate associate in the Charleston office of K&L Gates. His practice focuses on representing publicly- and privately-held companies, including private equity funds and their portfolio companies, in connection with mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, and other negotiated transactions. Cooper also counsels investors in structuring and executing preferred equity investments and start-up and emerging growth companies in connection with capital raising transactions.

Cooper also has experience representing sponsors, borrowers, lenders, issuers, distressed investors, and direct lenders in a wide range of financing matters, including leveraged acquisitions, high-yield bond issuances, liability management transactions, direct lending transactions, and rescue financings.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the Firm, Cooper was a corporate associate in the finance group of an international law firm headquartered in New York. Cooper also previously worked as an attorney for the Republican National Committee in Washington, D.C.

EDUCATION

- J.D., Wake Forest University School of Law, 2013 (*Editorial Staff, Wake Forest Law Review; James F. Hoge Memorial Prize for Outstanding Legal Writing*)
- B.S., Cornell University, 2009

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of New York
- Bar of South Carolina

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 1 February 2024, Twelfth Annual "Under the Wire" CLE Webinar

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- S. Cooper Hawley, *Applying Risk Regulation Principles to New Public Policy Domains: A Case Study on Voter Identification Laws*, 48 WAKE FOREST L. REV. 515 (2013).

NEWS & EVENTS

- 9 May 2023, K&L Gates Advises SPX Technologies on Agreement to Purchase Electrical Heating Solutions Leader
- 11 June 2021, K&L Gates Advises SPX Corporation on Agreement to Sell SPX Transformer Solutions to GE-Prolec Transformers

MEDIA MENTIONS

- Mentioned, "SPX Technologies to acquire ASPEQ Heating Group from Industrial Growth Partners for \$418m," *MergerLinks*, 2 May 2023

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Corporate and Acquisition Finance
- Emerging Growth and Venture Capital
- Private Equity Transactions
- Restructuring and Insolvency