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OVERVIEW

Jake Annunziata is an associate in the firm's Chicago office. He is a member of the Mergers and Acquisitions practice group. Jake's practice focuses on mergers and acquisitions, commercial transactions, capital markets, securities offerings and compliance, corporate governance, and transactions involving special purpose acquisition companies, including de-SPAC business combinations.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Jake served as a summer associate at an AmLaw 100 firm. In this role, he drafted numerous ancillary agreements for both the corporate and finance groups, performed due diligence, and conducted corporate legal research, ultimately developing several memorandums for clients.

During law school, Jake worked full-time in the corporate strategy group of a private health care company, working on all aspects of the mergers & acquisitions process. In this role, Jake frequently reviewed investor presentations, conducted business and financial diligence on potential targets, and worked closely with the c-suite on strategic initiatives.

EDUCATION

- J.D., Loyola University Chicago School of Law, 2021 (*Loyola Law Journal*, *Staff Member*)
- M.B.A., DePaul University, Kellstadt Graduate School of Business, 2020
- B.A., Arizona State University, 2016 (*cum laude*)

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Illinois
- Bar of Texas

NEWS & EVENTS

- 12 September 2023, K&L Gates Assists Focus Financial Partners on US\$7B Acquisition

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Capital Markets
- Public Companies
- Securities Compliance and Reporting

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Abacus Capital Group, LLC, a real estate investment manager, in its sale of majority interest to Affiliated Managers Group, Inc. (NYSE: AMG), a leading partner to independent active investment management firms
- Acumed LLC, a Colson Medical | Marmon | Berkshire Hathaway company, on its acquisition of ExsoMed Corporation, a provider of innovative solutions for hand surgery
- D-Orbit S.p.A., a space logistics and transportation company, in its de-SPAC business combination with Breeze Holdings Acquisition Corp. (Nasdaq: BREZ), a publicly traded special purpose acquisition company, for a combined enterprise value of \$1.28 billion (mutually terminated prior to closing)
- Federated Hermes, Inc. on its asset acquisition of the business of C.W. Henderson & Associates, Inc., a registered investment advisor specializing in the management of separately managed accounts that invest in tax-exempt municipal securities
- In2Bones Global, Inc., a global developer, manufacturer, and distributor of medical devices, in its sale to CONMED Corporation (NYSE: CNMD), a medical technology company
- LKQ Corporation (Nasdaq: LKQ), a distributor of aftermarket and recycled automotive parts, in its sale of PGW Auto Glass, a distributor of aftermarket glass to the North American automotive sector, to One Equity Partners for \$362 million
- Focus Financial Partners Inc. (NASDAQ: FOCS), a leading partnership of independent, fiduciary wealth management firms, in its sale pursuant to a going private transaction to affiliates of Clayton Dubilier & Rice, LLC
- Focus Financial Partners Inc. in the strategic transaction with Origin Holding Company, LLC, a private real estate fund, and existing partner firm, Kovitz Investment Group Partners, LLC pursuant to which Origin and Kovitz joined forces as partner firms of Focus

- PNC Bank, National Association (NYSE: PNC), in its corporate capacity and as trustee of the AFL-CIO Building Investment Trust, a bank collective trust fund, in the successful transfer of its role as trustee of the AFL-CIO Building Investment Trust to Great Gray Trust Company, LLC