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OVERVIEW

Courtney Thomas is a partner in the firm's Raleigh office. He is a member of the Corporate group with a primary focus on Commercial Technology and Sourcing and a secondary focus on Corporate/M&A. His practice focuses on commercial and corporate transactions, complex commercial contracts, lending transactions, corporate governance, and mergers and acquisitions including joint ventures and strategic alliances. He works with clients across a number of industries, including technology, manufacturing, and financial services. Courtney served as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of an international technology company immediately before joining K&L Gates and understands the need for legal counsel to serve as a collaborative and strategic business partner.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Immediately prior to joining K&L Gates, Courtney served as the Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of an international technology company based in North Carolina. Before that, Courtney was a senior lawyer at a large investment bank. Courtney also has extensive private practice experience, having practiced in the New York offices of two global law firms, where he focused on lending transactions, distressed debt and other corporate transactions.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- North Carolina Bar Association Board of Governors – Board Member
- North Carolina Bar Association – Minorities in the Profession Committee
- Table, Inc. – Board Member

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Panelist, "Demystifying the M&A Process," RTAC-ACC Lunch-and-Learn, July 13, 2022
- Panelist, "ESG - Diligence, Reporting, and Implementation," ACG Capital Conference, April 6, 2022

- Courtney has participated in a number of panels throughout the Triangle and guest lectures at the University of North Carolina School of Law.

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

- Courtney and his wife are licensed foster parents.

EDUCATION

- J.D., New York University School of Law, 2003
- B.A., Duke University, 1998

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of New York
- Bar of North Carolina

NEWS & EVENTS

- 29 March 2022, K&L Gates Broadens Corporate Practice with Raleigh Partner Addition

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Technology Transactions and Sourcing
- Mergers and Acquisitions

INDUSTRIES

- Technology