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OVERVIEW

Matthew Chapman is an associate in the firm's Pittsburgh office where he is a member of our corporate/M&A practice group. He focuses his practice on advising public and private companies, boards of directors, special committees, senior management, entrepreneurs and institutional fiduciaries in connection with transformative events and significant structuring and planning issues.

His transactional experience includes domestic and international mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, and general corporate matters. Matthew also has experience in corporate transactions involving employee stock ownership plans and in pension risk transfers, including representing the independent fiduciary and plan sponsors in pension risk transfers valued in the aggregate at over \$20 billion.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Before he began his legal career, Matthew served in the United States Air Force for more than eight years, attaining the rank of Captain. During his time in the United States Air Force Matthew flew F-15E fighter jets as a weapons systems operator and deployed three times to Afghanistan. Among other awards, Matthew was decorated with seven Air Medals and one Combat Action Medal for his actions in Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan. Matthew was also a distinguished graduate out of several United States Air Force schools, including Officer Training School and the F-15E Basic Course.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Listed in the "Ones to Watch" section, *The Best Lawyers in America*®, 2021 for his work in Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- David Stahl Memorial Award for attaining the highest grade average in the graduating class of the University of Pittsburgh School of Law

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Pittsburgh School of Law, 2014 (*summa cum laude*; *Order of the Coif*; *Research Editor*, *University of Pittsburgh Law Review Volume 75*)
- B.A., Gordon College, 2002

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Pennsylvania

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Author, "Bridging the Gap between Unmet Legal Needs and an Oversupply of Lawyers: Creating Neighborhood Law Offices – The Philadelphia Experiment," *VA. J. OF SOC. POL'Y & L.* 22.1.

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Benefits and ESOPs
- Corporate Governance
- Executive Compensation
- Private Equity Transactions

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represented a Singapore telecommunications company in its acquisition of a telecommunications services company through bankruptcy
- Represented a Singapore based public company on its cross-border acquisition of a developer of autonomous mobile robots for manufacturing environments, hospitals and other commercial settings
- Represented a supplier of petroleum products in the sale of stock of a subsidiary and the assets of the company to a fuel distribution company
- Represented Fortune 500 global supplier of paints in its acquisition of ESOP owned paint manufacturer
- Represented a local hospital in its affiliation with a larger regional hospital
- Represented Mid Atlantic Capital Corporation, a leading provider of custody, brokerage, trade processing, and financial services technology, in connection with its strategic partnership with Parthenon Capital Partners and Waterfall Asset Management

- Represented an independent national insurance brokerage and wealth management firm in its acquisition of ESOP owned professional insurance services and risk management company
- Represented the independent fiduciary for an aerospace company's pension plan's purchase of a buy-in group annuity contract from a leading insurer
- Represented a mutual insurance company in its pension plan's purchase of a buy-in group annuity contract from a leading insurer
- Represented Honeybee Robotics, Ltd. in its sale to Ensign-Bickford Industries, Inc.
- Represented the trustee of the Lifetouch Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Trust in the sale of stock of Lifetouch Inc. to Shutterfly, Inc. for \$825 million
- Represented Atlantic Plywood Corporation, a wholesale supplier of hardwood plywood and panel products, in its sale to Parksite Inc.
- Represented State Street Global Advisors Trust Company as independent fiduciary for Baxter International Inc. pension plan's purchase of a buy-out group annuity contract from The Prudential Insurance Company of America transferring \$2.4 billion in pension liabilities
- Represented State Street Global Advisors Trust Company as independent fiduciary for Dana Inc. pension plan's purchase of buy-out group annuity contracts from Athene Annuity and Life Co. and Companion Life Insurance Co. transferring almost \$940 million in pension liabilities
- Represented State Street Global Advisors Trust Company as independent fiduciary for Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.'s planned full termination of its \$3.8 billion U.S. pension plan and transfer of the associated liabilities to Athene Annuity and Life Co. through the purchase of a buy-out group annuity contract
- Represented Crane Co. in its acquisition of CIRCOR International, Inc.'s Instrumentation & Sampling Business for \$172 million.
- Represented the trustee of the STV Group, Incorporated Employee Stock Ownership Trust in the sale of the stock of STV Group, Incorporated to an indirect subsidiary of TPO Venture Partners, LLC.