

Arthur Jay Schwartz

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Arthur Jay Schwartz is a Partner of Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP.

In his practice, Mr. Schwartz has particular expertise in mergers and acquisitions, finance, securities, commercial leasing and technology.

Mr. Schwartz represents and advises clients in all types of mergers and acquisition transactions including “going private” and “leveraged buyout transactions,” representing both buyers, sellers and financing parties. He regularly consults with public and privately held clients on the effective use of capital structure to accomplish a variety of financing objectives. In addition, Mr. Schwartz has an active practice in business acquisition and divestiture transactions, especially where the transactions involved complex financing structure issues. He regularly represents borrowers and secured and unsecured lenders in connection with all types of financing transactions and public companies and underwriters in connection with public equity and debt offerings.

Mr. Schwartz has extensive experience working with technology companies and in all aspects of their business, including organizational structure, financing and capital raising, mergers and acquisitions and public and private securities offerings.

A member of the Corporate and Banking sections of the American Bar Association, Mr. Schwartz is also a member of the Lawyers Club of Atlanta, the State Bar of Georgia Corporate section, the Atlanta Board of Trustees for the American Jewish Committee, Life Trustee for Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta, the University of North Carolina Board of Visitors and the Atlanta Bar Association Corporate and Corporate Counsel sections. He has served on The University of North Carolina Jewish Studies Center Advisory Board from 2003 to 2010 and the Board of Trustees of the Atlanta Jewish Federation and its Endowment Fund Board from 1999 to 2008, as well as the Board of Visitors of Emory University from 2006 to 2009. From 1999 to 2002 he served on The Emory Law School Council. He is also a Past President of The Temple in Atlanta, where he was president from 2002 to 2004 and currently serves as the Chairman of the Endowment



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Areas of Practice

Commercial Lending
Corporate Law
Corporate Governance
Financing and Commercial Transactions
Manufacturing
Mergers and Acquisitions
Private Equity/Venture Capital
Securities
Strategic Alliances and Joint Ventures
Technology

Bar Admissions

Georgia

Board of Trustees. Mr. Schwartz has spoken at professional education seminars on small business and financing topics.

Mr. Schwartz received his A.B. degree in History and Political Science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1969. He received his J.D. degree from Emory University in 1972, where he was a member of Phi Delta Phi legal honor fraternity.

Representative Experience:

- Represented Gerdau Ameristeel Corporation in the sale of Atmosphere Annealing and NitroSteel to Z Capital.
- Represented Trinity Healthcare Staffing Group in its acquisition by Travel Nurse Across America (TNAA).
- Represented Adecco Group in the merger of its subsidiary Beeline with IQNavigator.
- Represented Nutrition Physiology Corporation in its sale to private equity firm, The Halifax Group, LLC.
- Represented AirTran Holdings, Inc. in connection with AirTran's attempted \$445 million acquisition of Midwest Air Group, Inc.
- Represented Gerdau Ameristeel Corporation in its acquisition of Pacific Coast Steel, Inc. and Bay Area Re-enforcing.
- Represented National Distributing Company, Inc. in its combination with Republic Beverage Company.
- Represented Given Imaging, Ltd. in the acquisition of the Smart Pill Corporation assets.
- Represented Sasco Chemical Group, Inc. in connection with its sale to private equity firm, Arsenal Capital Partners.
- Represented Lamin-Art, Inc. in its sale to the Arborite subsidiary of Wilson-Art Engineered Services.
- Represented Gerdau Ameristeel US, Inc. in its purchase of Tamco Steel from Ameron International Corporation, Mitsui & Co. (USA), Inc. and Tokyo Steel Manufacturing Co., Ltd.
- Represented Gerdau Ameristeel US, Inc. in the sale of Sand Springs Railway Company.
- Represented Gerdau Ameristeel US, Inc. in the purchase of Cycle Systems, Inc.
- Represented Gerdau Ameristeel US, Inc. in the sale of the Bright Bar Division to Nucor Corporation.
- Represented Harbert Management, a private equity firm, in connection with the acquisition of the assets of Sirius Technologies, Inc.

Recognitions

Chambers USA, Leading Business Lawyers- Corporate/ M&A (2011-2019)
Georgia Super Lawyer (2004-2006)
Georgia Trend Magazine- Legal Elite
Legal 500 U.S. South Atlantic Mergers, Acquisitions and Buyouts: M&A Lawyers
Martindale-Hubbell AV AV® Preeminent Rating