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Jonathan Newton has 26+ years of experience as a corporate lawyer representing clients in a broad range of transactional matters, including M&A, securities offerings and SEC reporting obligations. Mr. Newton regularly counsels C-suite executives and Board members on corporate governance and other advisory matters. He also has extensive experience with internal corporate restructurings, venture capital financings and joint ventures. In addition to his law practice, Mr. Newton served for 10 years as commissioner on the Finance Commission of Texas, which oversees banks, savings and loan institutions and consumer credit matters. Mr. Newton speaks Spanish fluently.

Mr. Newton spends a significant portion of his practice on energy-related transactions. He has extensive experience in complex cross-border and multi-jurisdictional transactions, including in both M&A and securities related transactions, as well as redomestication transactions.

Mr. Newton also represents clients in a variety of capital markets transactions, including registered and private offerings of debt and equity securities, convertible and straight debt offerings, secondary and follow-on equity offerings and Rule 144A and Regulation S offerings, as well as tender offers, exchange offers and consent solicitations.

In addition to the energy industry, Mr. Newton's client representations encompass companies and transactions in a variety of industries (information technology, medical devices, chemicals, among others) and includes the representation of both domestic and foreign companies.

Matters

Represented an NYSE-listed company in its \$294 million acquisition of a domestic oil and gas services and technology company.

Represented an NYSE-listed company in its €690 million acquisition of a Spanish company with multijurisdictional operations.

Represented an NYSE-listed company in its complex cross-border disposition of assets in exchange for a venture-style equity investment in the purchaser.

Represented an NYSE-listed company in its acquisition of a domestic energy technology company.

Represented an NYSE-listed company in its redomestication from Delaware to the UK (valued at \$4.29 billion).

Represented an NYSE-listed company in its \$1.3 billion registered offering of senior notes.

Represented an NYSE-listed company in its concurrent \$1.4 billion registered offering of senior notes and \$700 million tender offer for senior notes.

Represented an NYSE-listed company in its \$490 million acquisition of a Russian oil field services company.

Represented a dual listed TSX and NYSE Amex company in its successful fight against a hostile takeover bid.

Represented an ASX-listed company in its A\$350 million acquisition of a US private company.

Represented a private company in its sale to a large NASDAQ-listed software company.

Represented a private company in the sale of its liquid petroleum salt cavern storage facility to a large, privately held energy trading company.

Represented an AMEX-listed company in its joint US/Canadian C\$74 million public offering of common stock and C\$90 million offering of senior notes.

Represented a large private equity fund in the cross-border acquisition of a portfolio of companies owning tank farms.

Credentials

EDUCATION

J.D., The University of Texas at Austin

B.A., Cornell University, cum laude

ADMISSIONS

Texas

CLERKSHIPS

Judicial Clerk, Raul Gonzalez, Texas Supreme Court;

ASSOCIATIONS

State Bar of Texas

Houston Bar Foundation

Society for Corporate Governance

Texas General Counsel Forum, Member of Houston Chapter Board

LANGUAGES

Spanish

Recognition

BTI Consulting Group Client Service All-Star

2018

Recognized

BEST LAWYERS , 2016 - 2021

Society for Corporate Governance, Member

HOUSTON CHAPTER ADVISORY BOARD (AND FORMER CHAPTER PRESIDENT)

Notable Practitioner

CHAMBERS USA, 2015 - 2017

Listed

HOUSTON BUSINESS JOURNAL'S LIST OF WHO'S WHO IN ENERGY, 2014

Previously recognized, Top Lawyers

H TEXAS MAGAZINE AND THE RISING STAR EDITION OF TEXAS SUPER LAWYERS

Insights

ARTICLE

May 20, 2021

Welcome to The Insider

CLIENT ALERT

September 30, 2020

SEC Approves Polarizing 14a-8 Reforms

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

March 11, 2021

2021 Form 10-K, Proxy Season and Offering Preparedness Toolkit

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News

CASES & DEALS

September 27, 2021

Kraton Corporation to be acquired by DL Chemical

IN THE NEWS

September 27, 2021 • Source: Law360, MarketScreener, The American Lawyer and The Texas Lawbook

Heath Trisdale, Jonathan Newton and Rob LeClerc advise Kraton on its merger with DL Chemical

RECOGNITION

October 19, 2021

Latin Lawyer 250 Again Recognizes King & Spalding Among the Region's Leading International Law Firms

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