

Top 100 M&A Lawyers

Full Year 2024

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TOP 100 M&A LAWYERS LIST



Rank	Banker Name	Associated Firm	Deal Volume (\$ in Mil)	Number of Deals
1	Nelson Fitts Antitrust Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$128,294	14
2	Lori Lesser Head of the Intellectual Property Practice	Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP	\$116,623	70
3	Michael Schobel Executive Compensation and Benefits Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$102,179	19
4	Meyer Fedida Head of US Tax Group	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP	\$100,605	15
5	Emily Johnson Finance Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$83,325	11
6	Peter Guryan Global Co-Chair Antitrust and Trade Regulation	Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP	\$81,115	32
7	Zachary Podolsky Corporate Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$75,899	7
8	Scott Price Executive Compensation and Benefits Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$73,033	22
9	Joshua Holmes Tax Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$71,190	13
10	Thomas Wilson Antitrust Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$68,815	17

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11	Elizabeth Cooper M&A Partner	Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP	\$68,625	22
12	Mehdi Ansari Co-Head of Intellectual Property and Technology	Sullivan & Cromwell LLP	\$67,201	30
13	Gregory Pessin Restructuring and Finance Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$66,790	14
14	Patrick Lewis M&A Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$65,579	11
15	Rachael Lichman Debt Finance Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$65,210	13
16	Matthew Dobbins Environmental Partner	Vinson & Elkins LLP	\$64,660	29
17	Matthew Morreale Head of the Environmental Practice	Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP	\$64,255	14
18	Gregory Grogan Head of Executive Compensation and Benefits	Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP	\$64,205	18
19	David D'Alessandro Head of Executive Compensation and Benefits	Vinson & Elkins LLP	\$63,878	17
20	William Curran Tax Partner	Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP	\$63,684	13

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21	Steven Green Corporate Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$63,359	7
22	Maria Raptis Antitrust Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$63,250	14
23	Steven Sunshine Head of Global Antitrust and Competition	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$61,540	5
24	T. Eiko Stange Tax Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$61,200	13
25	Julian Seiguer Corporate Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$60,541	9
26	June Dipchand M&A Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$60,237	7
27	Page Griffin Executive Compensation and Benefits Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$59,788	10
28	Juan Rodriguez Co-Head of Antitrust	Sullivan & Cromwell LLP	\$57,529	28
29	Joseph Matelis Antitrust Partner	Sullivan & Cromwell LLP	\$56,645	9
30	Joshua Marnitz Environmental Partner	Latham & Watkins LLP	\$56,574	20

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31	Kenneth Reinker Antitrust Partner	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP	\$56,270	10
32	Evan Rosen M&A Partner	Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP	\$56,120	13
33	Jason Cruise Antitrust Partner	Latham & Watkins LLP	\$55,309	18
34	Ted Hassi Antitrust Litigation Partner	Debevoise & Plimpton LLP	\$54,335	13
35	David Wheat Tax Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$54,260	30
36	Michael Leiter National Security Practice Head	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$53,885	11
37	H. Rodgin Cohen Senior Chairman	Sullivan & Cromwell LLP	\$53,642	7
38	Robert Hayward Corporate Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$53,570	4
39	Jackson O'Maley Energy Transactions Partner	Vinson & Elkins LLP	\$53,077	13
40	Andrea Murino Antitrust Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$52,983	24

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41	Natasha vandenHoven Corporate Partner	Stikeman Elliott LLP	\$52,105	52
42	Frederic Depoortere Antitrust Litigation Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$52,020	8
43	J. Robert Fowler Private Equity Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$51,946	17
44	Adam Kool Corporate Transactions Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$51,915	20
45	Robert Goedert M&A and Corporate Governance Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$51,230	4
46	Mike Carew Debt Finance Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$51,130	16
47	Steven Slutzky Corporate Governance Partner	Debevoise & Plimpton LLP	\$50,802	6
48	Kenneth Wallach M&A Partner	Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP	\$50,455	9
49	Andrew Foster Tax Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$50,441	5
50	David Rubinsky Real Estate Finance Partner	Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP	\$50,257	26

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51	Victor Hollender Tax Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$50,190	7
52	Joseph Penko Corporate Finance Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$49,900	12
53	Chase Kaniecki Environmental Law Partner	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP	\$49,430	14
54	Ryan Rafferty Litigation Counsel	Debevoise & Plimpton LLP	\$48,900	7
55	Olivia Greer Corporate Partner	Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP	\$48,627	56
56	Dean Shulman Private Equity Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$48,148	8
57	Maureen Linch Capital Markets Partner	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP	\$47,792	7
58	Eric Schiele M&A Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$47,770	6
59	Timothy Welch Tax Partner	Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP	\$47,660	24
60	Jonathan Levitsky Media and Entertainment Partner	Debevoise & Plimpton LLP	\$47,400	4

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61	Daniel Ilan Intellectual Property Partner	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP	\$47,275	14
62	Veronica Wissel Capital Markets Partner	Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP	\$47,018	12
63	Jonathan Goldstein Banking and Finance Partner	Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP	\$46,723	28
64	Joe Rancour Corporate Governance Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$45,760	3
65	Howard Ellin M&A Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$45,499	5
66	Mark Purpura Corporate Law Partner	Richards, Layton & Finger PA	\$45,300	2
67	Brian Byrne Corporate Governance Partner	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP	\$45,300	9
68	Sasha Rosenthal-Larrea Corporate Transactions Partner	Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP	\$45,275	11
69	Mitchell Eitel Financial Institutions Practice Head	Sullivan & Cromwell LLP	\$45,255	8
70	Katharine Moir Tax Partner	Latham & Watkins LLP	\$45,104	21

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71	Bruce Goldner Intellectual Property Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$45,040	3
72	Steven Messina Banking and Finance Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$44,630	6
73	Jeannemarie O'Brien Executive Compensation and Benefits Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$44,540	7
74	Jesse Weiss Corporate Partner	Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP	\$44,250	11
75	Adam Kestenbaum M&A Partner	Latham & Watkins LLP	\$43,951	12
76	John Kupiec Corporate Partner	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP	\$43,650	4
77	Katherine Taylor Corporate Partner	Debevoise & Plimpton LLP	\$43,540	7
78	Damien Zoubek Corporate and M&A Partner	Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP	\$43,515	8
79	Rick Sofield National Security Partner	Debevoise & Plimpton LLP	\$43,300	6
80	Nathan Giesselman Tax Partner	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$43,000	4

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81	Timothy McIver Antitrust Partner	Debevoise & Plimpton LLP	\$42,832	16
82	Duane McLaughlin M&A Partner	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP	\$42,802	6
83	Jessica Asrat Corporate Partner	Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP	\$42,700	6
84	Christopher Cook Antitrust Partner	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP	\$42,600	5
85	Michael Bolotin Tax Partner	Debevoise & Plimpton LLP	\$42,550	23
86	Jackson Phinney Corporate Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$42,190	9
87	Emily Lichtenheld Corporate Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$42,100	2
88	Annemargaret Connolly Environmental Law Partner	Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP	\$41,870	23
89	Andrew Blau Corporate Partner	Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP	\$41,670	16
90	Ilene Gotts Antitrust Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$41,663	8

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91	Julia Petty Corporate Partner	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP	\$41,550	9
92	Christopher Moore Litigation Partner	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP	\$41,500	4
93	S. Eric Wang Corporate Partner	Sullivan & Cromwell LLP	\$41,335	8
94	Sion Davies Private Equity Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$41,201	15
95	Sean Wheeler Capital Markets Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$41,001	8
96	Debbie Yee M&A Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$40,908	8
97	Edward Herlihy Corporate and Financial Institutions Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$40,901	4
98	Stuart Cable M&A and Corporate Governance Partner	Goodwin Procter LLP	\$40,805	6
99	Richard Kim Corporate Partner	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	\$40,780	6
100	Seth Traxler Private Equity and M&A Partner	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$40,751	14

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