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### **Services**

Business Formation, Business & Succession Planning, Commercial Contracts, Corporate, Mergers & Acquisitions, Private Equity & Venture Capital, Securities, Real Estate,

Matt's practice is focused on the areas of mergers and acquisitions, business planning, and general business and corporate matters. In addition, he has extensive experience in commercial and real estate lending and finance, real estate acquisition and leasing, and intellectual property protection and licensing.

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Matt has been a lecturer at the National Business Institute on Choice of Entity in Alabama and Drafting LLC and LLP Agreements in Alabama and has also lectured with Lorman Educational Services on Partnerships, LLCs and LLPs.

While attending law school, Matt was the Associate Editor of the *Cumberland Law Review* and a Cordell Hull Teaching Fellow.

### **Publications**

- "5G Mobile Broadband Technology – America's Legal Strategy to Facilitate Its Continuing Global Superiority of Wireless Technology," *Intellectual Property & Technology Law Journal*

### **Education**

J.D., Cumberland School of Law at Samford University, (1996)  
B.S., University of Alabama at Birmingham, (1992)

### **Licensed In**

Alabama, North Carolina

## **Honors & Awards**

- *Best Lawyers in America*, Corporate Law (2013-2019)
- *Mid-South Super Lawyers*, Real Estate (2016-2017)
- *Alabama Super Lawyers*, Mergers & Acquisitions (2014), Real Estate (2015)
- Birmingham Magazine's Top Attorneys in Corporate Finance (2012)
- Cumberland School of Law, Cordell Hull Teaching Fellow
- Cumberland Law Review, Associate Editor

## **Professional Associations**

American Bar Association  
Alabama State Bar  
Birmingham Bar Association  
Federal Communications Bar Association

## **Experience**

- Represented a software company in connection with the sale of a division and product line.
- Represented a steel fabricator in connection with the sale of a division.
- Represented an investor group in its acquisition of a minor league baseball club.
- Represented an investor group in its acquisition of an industrial safety supply company.
- Represented a large restaurant franchisee in connection with its acquisition of approximately 30 locations of another franchisee (fee title and leased sites).
- Represented a medical device company in connection with its acquisition of a significant contractor.
- Represented an equipment rental company with multiple locations in its sale to a national chain.
- Represented an investor group in its acquisition of a media and entertainment subsidiary of an international corporation.
- Represented a medical device manufacturer in angel investor funding transaction.
- Represented a publicly traded communications infrastructure company in acquisitions and leasing.

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