



## → Evan C. Williams

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Evan Williams is a partner in the Corporate Practice Group in the firm's Dallas and New York offices. He is the leader of the firm's Investment Management team and is also a member of the firm's Private Equity and Emerging Company & Venture Capital teams.

### Areas of Practice

Evan's practice focuses the formation and operation of private investment funds and investment management matters, including regulatory compliance for registered investment advisors and the formation and operation of private investment funds.

Evan represents clients on the formation, structuring and management of private investment funds. He regularly provides strategic counsel to investment fund sponsors on private fund formations, including private equity funds, real estate funds, debt and credit funds, hedge funds, venture capital funds, energy funds and other private investment fund strategies. He also advises investment management firms on a wide variety of complex corporate matters, including implementing firm management arrangements, governance structures and compensation arrangements, negotiating seed investments and other strategic investments in fund sponsors, negotiating placement agent agreements and other marketing arrangements and negotiating transfers of equity interests in funds and fund sponsors.

Evan also regularly advises investment management firms, including private fund sponsors, real estate investment firms, REITs and wealth-management divisions of banks, on their registration as investment advisers with the SEC. In addition, he provides counsel to clients with respect to ongoing compliance with securities regulations and advises clients in connection with examinations by the SEC.

### Honors

On the Rise, *Texas Lawyer* Professional Excellence Awards, 2020

### Media Mentions

Sheppard Mullin, Smith Anderson Guide NovaQuest Buy of CoreRx  
*Bloomberg Law*, 01.22.2021

Movers & Shakers Feature

*The Deal*, 04.20.2018

Sheppard Mullin Enters Texas Market With Dallas Office

*Law360*, 04.16.2018

Sheppard Mullin Officially Opens Dallas Office

*The Texas Lawbook*, 04.16.2018

Sheppard Mullin Launches Dallas Office

*Texas Lawyer*, 04.16.2018

## Practices

Corporate

Capital Markets

Emerging Company & Venture Capital

Private Equity

Commercial Lending and Financial Transactions

Private Wealth Services

Investment Management

## Industries

Investment Management

## Education

J.D., Washington University School of Law, 2007, Articles Editor, *Washington University Journal of Law & Policy*; Member, Executive Editorial Board,

B.A., Westminster College, 2004, *magna cum laude*

## Admissions

Texas

## Additional Office

New York