

## Mergers & Acquisitions

The Stinson Mergers and Acquisitions (M&A) practice is among the largest in the Midwest, with more than 65 attorneys in eight offices. We strive to understand the financial and operational dynamics of our clients' businesses, so that we can find creative ways to bridge gaps between buyers and sellers. Our M&A attorneys work closely with our clients, focusing on both the legal and business aspects of a transaction to ensure that the deal structure and terms reflect the business goals of our clients.

We pride ourselves on being responsive to our clients' needs. The depth and breadth of our M&A practice enables us to deliver cost-effective and efficient services, all at reasonable, Midwestern rates. We work as an integrated team with experienced partner-level professionals in key areas such as tax, employee benefits, employment law, real estate, intellectual property and environmental law.

### CLIENTS WE SERVE

We represent clients in a broad variety of industries including financial services, health care, REITs, telecommunications, professional services, energy, food, hospitality, technology, transportation, manufacturing, sports and entertainment, insurance, media, and consumer products industries. In addition, our attorneys have completed transactions in nearly every part of the world, including Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, Europe, Africa, the Middle East and Asia.

Our M&A experience is as extensive as it is varied, ranging from small, product-line divestitures to multibillion-dollar mergers. We represent clients, including Fortune 500 companies, in transactions of various sizes, including very large transactions. In addition to advising on many of the Midwest's most important public transactions, we also have developed a particular proficiency in both marketing and selling family- and management-owned businesses when their owners desire to retire or pursue other interests. Collectively, the knowledge and perspective we have gained over thousands of transactions, as well as the depth of our team, enable us to provide sophisticated, timely and cost-effective representation in M&A transactions.

### CAPABILITIES

Stinson's M&A attorneys can assist on any aspect of a transaction, including due diligence, negotiations, documentation, SEC compliance and other key deal phases. Our M&A experience includes the following transaction types:

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- Purchases and sales of stock
- Purchases and sales of assets
- Stock mergers
- Cash-out and cash-election mergers
- Cash tender offers
- Securities exchange offers
- Takeover defenses, including shareholder rights plans
- Leveraged buyouts
- Management buyouts
- Going private transactions
- Proxy contests
- Spin-offs
- Roll-ups and consolidations
- Reorganizations
- Restructurings
- Recapitalizations
- Auctions of public and private companies
- Joint ventures
- Strategic alliances

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Investment Management

Private Equity

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Structured Finance & Securitization

Venture Capital & Emerging Companies

## NEWS

Stinson Welcomes M&A Partner John Willding to Dallas Office, Bolstering Corporate Finance Bench  
05.14.2024

Stinson Attorneys Examine Role of Private Equity in Health Care M&A, Provide Guidance for Mitigating Antitrust Risk in *Law360*  
05.10.2024

Bowling, Respeliers Recognized as Top M&A Attorneys by Missouri Lawyers Media  
04.10.2024

Private Equity, Corporate M&A Attorney Ethan Mark Returns to Stinson in Minneapolis  
04.04.2024

Jeetander Dulani Discusses Biden's Antitrust Policies, Diversity in Competition Law on The Legal 500 Podcast  
03.25.2024

Stinson M&A Attorneys Analyze Delaware Court Ruling Invalidating Stockholder Agreement in *New York Law Journal*  
03.18.2024

Stinson Attorneys Analyze CTA vs. NYLTA in *Bloomberg Law* as Federal Ruling Could Impact Similar State Laws  
03.12.2024

Despite District Court Challenge, CTA Still Relevant, Zack Taylor Says in *Kansas City Business Journal* Article  
03.11.2024

*Super Lawyers'* 2024 Colorado Lists Features Three Stinson Attorneys  
03.01.2024

Zack Taylor Featured in *Minnesota Lawyer's* Breaking the Ice Series  
02.23.2024

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Quinlivan Recognized by *Minnesota Lawyer* as a Top M&A Attorney

01.25.2024

Six Attorneys Elected to Partnership at Stinson in 2024

01.09.2024

*Bloomberg Law* Features Goldberg's Insight on Alaska-Hawaiian Airline Deal

01.05.2024

Denver's Mile High Magazine Recognizes Bayles, Botts as Top Attorneys

01.04.2024

*Super Lawyers* Recognizes 29 from Stinson on Missouri and Kansas Top Lists

11.14.2023

Murdock Discusses Firm Growth, Future Plans with *Kansas City Business Journal*

11.06.2023

Jack Bowling Named to Inaugural *Legal 500* M&A Powerlist

11.03.2023

*Best Lawyers*® Recognizes Stinson in "Best Law Firms" Report

11.02.2023

*Law360* Highlights Expansion of DC Office, Overall Firm Growth

10.23.2023

*Law360* Highlights Myrin Joining the Firm in Dallas

09.29.2023

Stinson Adds to Dallas Real Estate Bench with Arrival of Marc Myrin

09.18.2023

Weintraub Opines on Florida's Changing M&A Market in *Daily Business Review* Article

09.06.2023

Goldberg Discusses Government Antitrust Scrutiny of Airline Mergers in the *New York Law Journal*

08.30.2023

*Law360* Highlights Stinson's Corporate Finance Bench with News of Larsen and Ziegler Joining the Firm

08.01.2023

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*Law360* Highlights Ye's Lateral Move to Stinson in DC

07.17.2023

Stinson Adds Two Partners to Corporate Finance Bench in DC, NYC

07.12.2023

Cicala, Corcoran Examine the Intersection of Sports, Economics and Geopolitics of PGA Tour/LIV Golf Merger

07.12.2023

Stinson Welcomes Fangyu (Fiona) Ye as Of Counsel Attorney, Continues to Grow DC Headcount

07.06.2023

*Chambers USA 2023 Legal Guide* Recognizes Stinson Attorneys and Practice Groups

06.05.2023

Stinson's Respeliers One of 30 Named to M&A POWER List in Missouri

04.12.2023

Stinson's Michael Kaplan Recognized in *St. Louis Small Business Monthly's* "Top 100" Edition

04.03.2023

Kaplan Recognized by *St. Louis Small Business Monthly* on 2023 "Best M&A Providers" List

03.01.2023

*Super Lawyers*® Recognizes 26 Stinson Attorneys in Missouri and Kansas

11.14.2022

*U.S. News, Best Lawyers*® Recognizes Stinson in "Best Law Firms" Report

11.03.2022

The 2022 *Chambers USA* Guide Recognizes Stinson Attorneys and Practice Groups

06.02.2022

Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Selects Stinson Attorneys for 2022 Fellows and Pathfinder Program

02.17.2022

*Super Lawyers* Recognizes 21 Stinson Attorneys in Missouri and Kansas

11.15.2021

Stinson Recognized Among the Top National Law Firms in 2022 Best Law Firms Ranking

11.05.2021

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Stinson Recognized for Middle Market Mergers at The Deal Awards

09.24.2021

Stinson Moves to New Office with Design Inspired by the Rockies

08.31.2021

*Chambers* USA Recognizes Stinson Attorneys and Practice Groups Nationwide

05.25.2021

Susan Warshaw Ebner, Steve Quinlivan Receive JD Supra 2021 Readers' Choice Awards

03.31.2021

Stinson Represents CZ Group in Acquisition of Colt Holding Company

02.18.2021

Stinson Advises BacklotCars, Inc. on Merger with Affiliate of KAR Global

02.01.2021

Stinson Serves as Legal Counsel on Major Alaskan Energy Acquisition

11.17.2020

Stinson Attorneys Named to 2020 Kansas & Missouri *Super Lawyers* and Rising Stars

11.16.2020

Stinson Recognized Among Top National Firms in 2021 Best Law Firms Ranking

11.05.2020

112 Stinson Attorneys Selected to the 2021 *Best Lawyers in America* List

08.20.2020

Nineteen Stinson Attorneys Named 2021 Lawyers of the Year by *Best Lawyers in America*

08.18.2020

Partner Steve Quinlivan Quoted in *LAW360* on New SEC Rules

07.30.2020

First State Holding Co. Transaction Closes, Stinson Serves as Legal Counsel

06.08.2020

Stinson Represents Bedford Technology in Sale to Tangent Technologies

05.06.2020

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Stinson Establishes Coronavirus Task Force to Support Clients

03.12.2020

### EVENTS

2023 Business Law Update

03.02.2023

M&A Boot Camp 2021

09.23.2021

Business Law Update - Minneapolis

Surly's Brewing Co., 02.27.2020

### PUBLICATIONS

DOJ and FTC's Aggressive Antitrust Enforcement Agenda Set to Continue

04.23.2024

Private Equity Firm Proves Strategy was Entirely Fair

06.23.2020

Shareholder Representative Provision Precludes Discovery From Selling Shareholders

06.12.2020

Chancery Discusses Privilege Waiver in Context of Asset Purchase

06.11.2020

Impact of Coronavirus (COVID-19) on M&A and Private Equity

03.25.2020

Conducting Shareholder Annual Meetings Virtually in Reaction to the COVID-19 Coronavirus

03.22.2020

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