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FOCUS AREAS

Biotech
Capital Markets
Climate and Clean Technologies
Communications and Networking
Corporate
Corporate Governance
Data Storage and Cloud
Digital Health
Digital Media and Entertainment
Emerging Companies and Venture Capital
Fintech
Fintech and Financial Services
Internet
Life Sciences
Medical Devices
Mergers & Acquisitions
Mobile Devices
Mobility
Semiconductors
Software

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Prominent Technology and Growth Clients**
Rob represents public and private technology and life sciences companies, including Microchip Technology, National Instruments, RealPage, Savara and Lumos Pharma as well as investment banks and VC funds.
- **A Recognized Practitioner**
Rob is consistently recognized as a leader in his field by *Chambers USA*.

EXPERIENCE

Robert Suffoletta is a partner in the corporate and securities practice of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati. He joined the firm's Austin office in 2001 after starting his career in the firm's Palo Alto office.

Rob works with emerging growth and technology companies, both public and private, as well as investment banks and venture capital funds. During his tenure at the firm, he has gained extensive experience with public offerings, mergers and acquisitions, venture capital financings, and start-up company representation. He regularly advises a number of public companies on corporate governance, disclosure, and SEC compliance matters.

Rob is a member of the board of directors of the Wilson Sonsini Foundation.

Prior to attending law school, Rob was a financial consultant with Peterson & Company in Chicago, where he specialized in financial and economic analysis for complex commercial litigation.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., University of Notre Dame Law School
Magna Cum Laude
- M.B.A., Indiana University
- B.S., Finance, Indiana University
With Honors

Honors

- Recognized in the "Top 10 Most Influential Corporate/M&A Lawyers in Austin, Texas Unveiled" by *Business Today*
- Named in the 2013-2026 editions of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*

Admissions

- State Bar of California
- State Bar of Texas

MATTERS

Recent Matters

- Represented Microchip Technology in its acquisitions of Microsemi Corporation, Atmel, SMSC, Supertex and Micrel
- Represented RealPage in follow-on equity offerings and convertible debt offering
- Represented RealPage in acquisition of ClickPay
- Represented underwriters in Q2 Holdings IPO and in follow-on offerings
- Represented National Instruments in acquisition of OptimalPlus
- Represented National Instruments in sale of AWR subsidiary to Cadence
- Represented Lumos in IPO/reverse merger with NewLink Genetics
- Represented Savara in IPO/reverse merger with Mast Therapeutics
- Represented Sarava in license and collaboration agreement with Grifols for Apulmiq
- Represented Savara in underwritten follow-on offerings and in ATM offering
- Represented Integrated Silicon Solution, Inc. in acquisition of the wired connectivity business of Sigma Designs
- Represented Integrated Silicon Solution, Inc. in sale to Uphill Investment Co.
- Represented agent in Applied Optoelectronics ATM offerings
- Represented underwriters in Applied Optoelectronics IPO and in follow-on offering
- Represented initial purchasers in Q2 Holdings' convertible debt offering
- Represented underwriters in ExactTarget IPO and in follow-on offering
- Represented Ascension Orthopedics in sale to Integra Life Sciences
- Represented BigBand Networks in IPO
- Represented BigBand Networks in sale to Arris Group
- Represented CardioGenesis in sale to Eclipse Surgical
- Represented Seismic Micro-Technology in sale to IHS
- Represented Sierra Atlantic in sale to Hitachi Consulting
- Represented Pivot3 in financing transactions

INSIGHTS

Select Speaking Engagements

- "Influence of Activist Shareholders on M&A and Corporate Governance," University of Texas Technology Law Conference, May 2017
- "Taking a Company Public: Key Legal and Business Considerations," University of Texas Technology Law Conference, May 2016
- "Recent SEC Developments," IPO Readiness Seminar, Austin, Texas, October 2015
- "M&A in the Technology Sector," University of Texas Technology Law Conference, May 2012
- "Mergers and Acquisitions," University of Texas Technology Law Conference, May 2010
- "Securities Offering Reform," SEC Issues Update Seminar, December 2005
- "Securities Offering Reform," SEC Institute, 20th Midyear SEC Reporting Forum, Dallas, May 2005