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FOCUS AREAS

Corporate Governance
Corporate Life Sciences
Life Sciences
Mergers & Acquisitions
Mobility

Special Purpose Acquisition Companies (SPACs)

HIGHLIGHTS

Experience in Cross-Border Transactions

Ethan has worked on transactions across North America, Asia, and Europe.

Broad Transactions Experience

Ethan has represented numerous clients in both public and private mergers, tender offers, asset acquisitions, stock purchases, joint ventures, and other strategic corporate transactions.

M&A Thought Leadership

Ethan is co-author of "Private Equity Buyer/Public Target M&A Deal Study," Schulte Roth & Zabel, 2011.

EXPERIENCE

Ethan Lutske is a partner in Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati's mergers and acquisitions practice. He has worked on transactions across North America, Asia, and Europe. He has represented numerous clients in both public and private mergers, tender offers, asset acquisitions, stock purchases, joint ventures, SPAC transactions, reverse mergers, and other strategic corporate transactions.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., New York University, 2010
- B.A., Political Science and Economics, University of California, Berkeley, 2007

Admissions

- State Bar of California
- State Bar of New York

MATTERS

Select Transactions

Public Company Acquisitions

- VMWare in its acquisition of Pivotal.io
- Pfenex in its sale to Ligand
- Electro Scientific Industries in its sale to MKS
- Invuity in its sale to Stryker Corporation

- Miramar Labs in its sale to Sientra
- Cyan Inc. its sale to Ciena
- Integrated Silicon Solution Inc. in its sale to a consortium of Chinese investors

Strategic Transactions

- Salesforce, Google, Mastercard, Cloudflare, Palantir, Arista Networks, Credit Karma, ARM Limited and Aurora Innovation in numerous acquisition transactions
- CloudGenix in its sale to Palo Alto Networks
- Transplant Genomics in its sale to EuroFins
- Lucky's Market in its strategic combination with Krogers
- NanoString Technologies in its sale of a business line to Veracyte
- Semnur Pharmaceuticals in its sale to Sorrento Pharmaceuticals

SPAC and Reverse Merger Transactions

- QuantumScape in its de-SPAC transaction with Kensington Capital
- Forte Biosciences in its reverse merger transaction with Tocagen
- MedAvail in its reverse merger transaction with Myos Rens
- Savara Pharmaceuticals in its reverse merger transaction with Mast Therapeutics
- Grid Dynamics Holdings in its de-SPAC transcation with ChaSerg Technology Acquisition Corp.

Other Cross-Border Transactions

- FanDuel in its business combination with the U.S. operations of Paddy Power Betfair
- Infinera in its acquisition of Coriant International
- Integrated Dynamic Electron Solutions in its sale to JEOL
- Rambus in its acquisition of Verimatrix
- OnePlace in its sale to Intapp
- TSI Japan in its acquisition of HUF Worldwide
- WinView in its strategic combination with Frankly and Torque

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

 Co-author with J.M. Pollack, D.E. Rosewater, N.C. Rifkind, D. Belostock, S.P.D. Berry, C. W. Brierre, S. Desai, A. M. Dowless, and K.P. Poole, "Private Equity Buyer/Public Target M&A Deal Study," Schulte Roth & Zabel, 2011

Select Speaking Engagements

 Panelist, "M&A for Growth," M&A Bootcamp: The Ultimate Guide to Mergers & Acquisitions for Start-Ups, Nasdaq Entrepreneurial Center, April 21, 2021