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FOCUS AREAS

Biotech
Capital Markets
Clean Energy
Climate and Clean Technologies
Consumer Products and Services
Corporate
Corporate Governance
Corporate Life Sciences
Data Storage and Cloud
Digital Health
Digital Media and Entertainment
Electronic Gaming
Emerging Companies and Venture Capital
Fintech
Internet
Life Sciences
Medical Devices
Mergers & Acquisitions
Software

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Capital Markets Expertise**
Melissa regularly represents issuers and underwriters in connection with initial public offerings and other capital market transactions.
- **Represents Companies Through All Development Stages**
Melissa represents emerging companies at all stages of development, advises entrepreneurs on day-to-day legal matters, and represents clients in strategic transactions and liquidity events.

EXPERIENCE

Melissa Rick is a partner in the Palo Alto office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, where her practice focuses on corporate and securities transactions, with particular emphasis on the life sciences and technology industries. She advises emerging companies at all stages of maturity, including formation, initial funding, expansion, and exit. Melissa works with public and private companies on a range of transactions, including venture financings, initial public offerings, and mergers and acquisitions. She also counsels clients on matters such as general corporate law and governance and public company disclosure, as well as reporting with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., Boston University School of Law, 2010
Cum Laude
- B.A., Political Science and Psychology, Calvin College, 2007

Admissions

- State Bar of California
- State Bar of Massachusetts
- State Bar of New York

CLIENTS

Select Clients

- a16z
- Alivecore
- Altruist
- AppDirect
- Automation Anywhere
- Brex

- Carbon Health
- CollectiveHealth
- Enable
- Epic Games
- GoFundMe
- Headspace
- Innovaccer
- Kodiak AI
- LinkedIn Corporation
- LoveFrom
- Lyten
- Mastercontrol
- NOCD
- Prenuvo
- Qventus
- Redaptive
- Redwood Materials
- Reltio
- Samba TV
- Signifyd
- Vectra

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

- Co-author with S. Bochner and A. Hoffman, *IPO Guide*, Toppan Merrill, Ninth Edition, 2019