

## Melissa Rick

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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  
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

- 4D Pharma
- Alector
- Altruist
- AppDirect
- Automation Anywhere
- Brex

- Carbon Health
- Edgewise Therapeutics
- Epic Games
- Foresite Capital
- GoFundMe
- Groq
- Headspace Health (formally Ginger.io)
- Innovaccer
- Kodiak Robotics
- LinkedIn Corporation
- LytEn
- Oric Pharmaceuticals
- Redaptive
- Samba TV
- Scale Computing
- SingleStore
- Twitter
- Vectra

## INSIGHTS

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### Select Publications

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