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Corporate
Corporate Governance
Emerging Companies
Life Sciences
Mergers & Acquisitions
Software

EXPERIENCE

Annie Datesh is Wilson Sonsini's Senior Director of Innovation and a corporate and securities attorney in the firm's San Francisco office with a focus on representing companies at all stages of their lifecycle, from incorporation to fundraising, mergers and acquisitions, and public offerings. Over the course of her legal career, Annie has advised both start-ups and investors on matters from formation to exit and has been involved in financing transactions in private and public markets with an aggregate value of billions of dollars.

Annie also has in-house experience and a firsthand understanding of the challenges of building and scaling a high-growth company, including being seconded to Square, Inc. during its IPO and serving on the leadership team at a venture-backed legal tech start-up where she was the driving force behind a number of programs and departments.

As the firm's Senior Director of Innovation, Annie works directly with Wilson Sonsini's Chief Innovation Officer and firm management in setting the firm's innovation strategy, developing and implementing legal technology programs for the firm and clients, and advising both internal and client teams on the legal and operational implications of emerging technologies and business models in the legal industry.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., The George Washington University Law School, 2013
- B.A., Neuroscience and Behavior, Stanford University, 2010

Admissions

• State Bar of California