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FOCUS AREAS

Capital Markets
Corporate
Corporate Governance
Emerging Companies and
Venture Capital
Mergers & Acquisitions
Public Company
Representation

EXPERIENCE

David Segre is a corporate partner at Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, where he works with public and private technology companies through all stages of growth, from start-up through public offerings and on strategic transactions. His clients also include venture capital firms and investment banks. David was one of the lead partners on the teams that represented Google, Square, and Tesla in their initial public offerings and Asana in its direct listing.

David's practice focuses on corporate and securities law, including general corporate representation, venture capital financings, public offerings, and mergers and acquisitions. He also has extensive experience advising public companies on governance, defensive measures, disclosure matters, and other complex securities law issues.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., Harvard Law School, 1985
Cum Laude
- B.A., Political Science, Stanford University, 1981
With Distinction, Phi Beta Kappa

Associations and Memberships

- Co-chair, Silicon Valley Entrepreneurs' Conference
- Member, Business Law Section, American Bar Association

Honors

- Recognized as a "Notable Practitioner" by *IFLR 1000* in 2024
- Honored as *Best Lawyers in America's* "Lawyer of the Year" for Securities/Capital Markets Law, San Jose, in 2022
- Named in *Best Lawyers in America* for Corporate Law, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, and Securities/Capital Markets Law in 2006-2020
- Recognized in *Super Lawyers* in 2007-2010 and 2013-2018
- AV Preeminent Peer Review Rating, Martindale-Hubbell

Admissions

- State Bar of California

MATTERS

Select Transactions

David's representative transactions include:

- Represented issuers in more than 75 public offerings, including Google, Square, Tesla, and Asana (direct listing)
- Represented Google in over 100 acquisitions, including its \$3.1 billion acquisition of DoubleClick and its acquisition of the Android OS
- Advised Google on its \$1 billion investment in AOL and \$500 million investment in Clearwire Communications
- Represented Riverbed Technology in its \$3.6 billion going-private transaction with a syndicate led by Thoma Bravo
- Advised Total Gas & Power on its \$1.4 billion control acquisition of SunPower Corporation and related \$1.0 billion credit support
- Represented Infoseek in its tracking stock-based sale to The Walt Disney Company
- Represented DataStax in its sale to IBM
- Represented Delphix on its sale to Perforce
- Represented Endgame on its \$234 million sale to Elastic
- Represented Adaptive Insights on its \$1.55 billion sale to Workday
- Represented MIPS Computer Systems in its merger with Silicon Graphics
- Advised Sun Microsystems on more than 25 acquisitions
- Represented Documentum in its merger with EMC

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

- Co-author, “Chapter 32A: The Direct Listing Alternative,” in *Venture Capital & Public Offering Negotiation*, Vol. 2, 2023
- “Open Market and Privately Negotiated Purchase Programs and the Market for Corporate Control,” *The Business Lawyer*, Vol. 42, No. 3, pp. 715-745, 1987