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Charles R. Curley, Jr. advises clients on a diverse array of complex corporate transactions, counting over \$60 billion worth of transactional experience across a range of industries with emphasis on the financial technology sector.

Charles focuses his practice on U.S. and cross-border mergers, acquisitions, and divestitures, reorganizations, joint ventures and investments, debt and equity offerings, strategic transactions, tax planning, including for tax-exempt organizations, and general corporate matters. His vast experience advising clients at all scales and across sector divides gives him a skillset grounded in creative and pragmatic dealmaking.

Charles has previously served as the Executive Vice President and General Counsel of Cannae Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: CNNE) and General Counsel of Foley Family Wines and as the Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel – M&A and Corporate of Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. (NYSE: FIS).

Representative Experience

Charles' experience includes:

- Represented a client in the strategic partnership and cross-equity investment in an investment firm by a company with experience in acquiring and operating businesses in various industries.*
- Represented a client in the divestiture of software and processing solutions for China's financial markets to an alternative investment platform known for providing equity investment management, M&A consulting, and financing agreements by a financial technology company.*
- Represented a client in the sale of a majority ownership stake by a financial technology company in a financial technology consulting business to funds managed by an investment company for \$469m, followed by the later sale of the minority interest to a leading technology services and consulting company.*

- Represented a client in the investment in and followed by the later acquisition of a company that is a provider of omnichannel software solutions by a financial technology company with headquarters in Jacksonville, Florida.*
- Represented a client in the dissolution of a joint venture and negotiation of a new commercial agreement with one of the largest financial institutions in Brazil by a financial technology company that works with 95% of the world's leading banks.*
- Represented a client in the acquisition of a majority stake in a U.S. credit-based alternative fund solutions provider by a financial technology company with headquarters in Jacksonville, Florida.*
- Represented a client in the acquisition of an embedded payments provider by a financial technology company that works with 95% of the world's leading banks.*
- Represented a client in the divestiture of an agency-focused broker providing customized algorithms to a subsidiary of a Japanese middle market investment bank.*
- Represented a client in various venture capital investments in early-stage and mid-stage companies.*
- Represented a client in various bond offerings (in U.S. dollars and foreign currencies) and tender offers.*
- Represented a client in various credit arrangements, including internal and related party arrangements.*
- Represented a client in the acquisition of a company that processes in-person and online payments for businesses in a range of industries, a transaction valued at \$43bn and the largest financial technology deal to date.*
- Represented a client in various acquisitions and divestitures of businesses.*
- Implemented various stock repurchase programs for a client.*
- Represented a client in various purchases and sales of aircraft and related sale-leaseback arrangements.*
- Represented a client with the internalization of a diversified holding company's external management functions from its subsidiary.*
- Represented a client in the acquisition and related financing of a football team playing in the English Premier League.*
- Represented a client in the acquisition and related financing of minority interest of a football team playing in the French Ligue 1.*
- Represented a client in the acquisition and related financing of minority interest in a football team that plays in the Scottish Premier League.*
- Represented a client in the various capital raises related to a football club.*
- Represented a client in the acquisition and related financing of a Nevada-based distillery.*
- Represented a client in the acquisition of an expansion football team in the Australian A-League to begin play in the 2024-2025 season.*
- Represented a client in the acquisition of a luxury boutique hotel located in Forestville, California.*
- Represented a client in the acquisition and related financing of a Sonoma, California-based luxury hotel.*

- Represented a client in the divestiture of a company that provides a comprehensive set of technology solutions to address public safety and public administrative needs of government entities, as well as the needs of K-12 school districts, by a financial technology company to a private equity firm for \$850m.*

**Matters handled prior to joining Foley.*

Affiliations

- Commissioner, TRUE Commission (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures), City of Jacksonville (2003-2008)
- Adjunct Professor, University of North Florida – Coggin College of Business (2001-2002)

Community Involvement

- Board of Directors, Junior Achievement of North Florida (2011-2016)

Practice Areas

- [Corporate](#)
- [Transactions](#)

Education

- University of Florida (LL.M., Taxation, 2004)
- Mercer University School of Law (J.D., 1996)
- Florida State University (B.A., 1993)

Admissions

- Florida
- Georgia