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Chris Converse specializes in corporate governance matters and mergers and acquisitions, advising public and private companies, private equity firms and family offices. He serves as co-chair of the firm's [Texas Corporate Governance Team](#) and co-chair of the firm's Private Equity practice.

As a result of his and his team's intimate involvement in the drafting and passage of Texas Senate Bill 29 by the Texas legislature in 2025, Chris and his co-chair of the [Texas Corporate Governance Team](#), Chris Babcock are considered the leading counselors to Fortune 500 companies when considering incorporating in Texas. Chris and his team have unique experience counseling public and private companies in the intricacies of Texas corporate law and its application to public and private companies and their boards and shareholders. In concert with this experience, Chris' team has crafted corporate governance documents tailored to public and private companies implementing the latest updates to Texas corporate law.

In addition, Chris has advised private equity firms and other public and private companies in hundreds of M&A transactions with an aggregate deal value exceeding US\$10 billion. Chris manages mergers and acquisitions, recapitalizations, financings, and private offerings of debt and equity for companies throughout the United States.

Chris is known by clients as a pragmatic and responsive counselor in sophisticated, high value transactions. Working with a team of experienced lawyers, his work spans many industries, including consumer packaged goods, aerospace components, product distribution, energy logistic services, information technology services, health and nutrition products, and infrastructure services.

Awards and Recognitions

- *The Best Lawyers in America*® in the fields of Corporate Law (2015-2024) and Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law (2023-2024)
- Region's most influential business leaders in North Texas, *D CEO's Dallas 500* (2022)

- Best Lawyers in Dallas, *D Magazine*, Corporate Law: General (2015); Corporate Law: Mergers and Acquisitions (2017)
- *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* (Tom Wicker ed., Chambers & Partners) in the practice area of Corporate/M&A (2016, 2018, 2021 – 2025)
- 40 Under 40 Recognition Award, *M&A Advisor* (2014)
- Texas Rising Star by Super Lawyers, a Thomson Reuters business, as published in *Texas Super Lawyers Magazine*, Business/Corporate (2005, 2007-2009, 2013-2015)

Affiliations

- State Bar of Texas, Member
- Dallas Bar Association, Securities Section, Member

Community Involvement

- Former Board Member, Carter BloodCare
- Member, Dallas Arboretum and former member of the Corporate Advisory Committee
- Former Board Member and Secretary, Friends of the Trinity Strand Trail

Sectors

- [Family Offices](#)

Practice Areas

- [Corporate](#)
- [Mergers & Acquisitions](#)
- [Private Equity](#)
- [Transactions](#)
- [Venture & Growth Capital](#)

Education

- University of Virginia School of Law (J.D., 2000)
 - Notes Editor, *Virginia Tax Review*
- Duke University (A.B., magna cum laude, 1997)
 - History (with distinction)

Admissions

- Texas