

MEZZANINE FINANCE & PRIVATE EQUITY

INVESTMENT TEAM

Moore & Van Allen's Investment Team is comprised of members of the corporate and finance practice areas and has a national practice representing private equity funds, business development companies, hedge funds, mezzanine funds, bank affiliates and institutional investors in their leveraged buy-out transactions, mergers and acquisitions, private equity growth investments, mezzanine investments and senior debt loans. From 2005 through 2007, our Investment Team represented investors in more than 151 completed transactions totaling more than \$4.1 billion in invested capital, including 59 transactions totaling approximately \$1.8 billion in invested capital in 2007 and 62 transactions totaling \$1.6 billion in invested capital in 2006.

Mezzanine Finance and Senior Debt Lending

Our Investment Team also represents mezzanine finance and senior lending clients in Houston, Washington, D.C., Chicago, San Francisco, New York City, Los Angeles, Nashville, Connecticut and the Carolinas. We represent several of the largest U.S. lenders, including Bank of America and Wells Fargo. In 2008, we ranked first among all U.S. law firms representing lead arrangers in syndicated senior loan transactions by closing over 71 loan transactions representing over \$15 billion in debt.[1] Our Investment Team's extensive experience in the debt capital arena enables us to provide valuable insight and perspective to our lending clients in all areas of finance transactions, including current market trends in pricing as well as subordination and intercreditor terms.



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Private Equity

Our Investment Team represents private equity sponsors in Washington, D.C., Dallas, Birmingham, Houston, Chicago, New York City, San Francisco, Nashville, Connecticut, and the Carolinas. In 2007, we were ranked 26th by number of closed private equity transactions among all U.S. law firms.[2] Our Investment Team has a keen understanding of the U.S. private equity markets from the perspective of buyers and sellers. Our private equity sponsors rely on us to advise them on structuring, negotiating, documenting and closing all aspects of their investment transactions. We work closely with each client to understand the business to be acquired and efficiently structure the transaction from tax and corporate perspectives to accomplish the desired allocation of risk between the parties.

Value-Added Counsel

As a result of these transactions, we have established a solid network of business, transaction and deal contacts throughout the U.S. In an effort to support our clients, the members of the Investment Team act as referral sources for clients in finding capital, seeking acquisition candidates, referring equity and lending opportunities, hiring investment bankers and advisors, finding management team candidates, exploring strategic alliances and building businesses.

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[1] Source: LPC Loan Pricing Corporation League Table - 2008 Lender Law Firm by Number of Deals, January 3, 2009.

[2] Source: Dow Jones Private Equity Analyst, League Table 2007 Most Active Law Firms by Number of Private Equity Deals, March 2008.