

Most Active Law Firms

By Number of Deals. Below is a ranking of law firms based on the number of private equity deals they negotiated and closed on in 2009. The ranking was based on self-reporting by law firms.

Law Firm Rank/Name	Number of Private Equity Deals
1. Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP	287
2. DLA Piper LLP	193
3. Ropes & Gray LLP	178
4. Proskauer Rose LLP	167
5. Goodwin Proctor LLP	146
6. Paul Hastings Janofsky & Walker LLP	126
7. K&L Gates LLP	116
8. Latham & Watkins LLP	100
9. Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge LLP	94
10. Nixon Peabody LLP	88
11. Moore & Van Allen PLLC	86
12. Kirkland & Ellis LLP	76
13. Fried Frank Harris Shriver & Jacobson LLP	70
14. Jones Day	67
15. Morrison Cohen LLP	65
16. Dorsey & Whitney LLP	58
17. Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison LLP	57
18. Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP	56
19. Ice Miller LLP	55
20. Morrison & Foerster LLP	47
21. Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP	46
22. Foley & Lardner LLP	44
23. Choate Hall & Stewart LLP	42
24. O'Melveny & Myers LLP	41
25. Herrick Feinstein LLP	40
26. WilmerHale LLP	39
27. Greenberg Traurig LLP	39
28. Fulbright & Jaworski LLP	38
29. Calfee Halter & Griswold LLP	36
30. Mayer Brown LLP	36
31. Squire Sanders & Dempsey LLP	35
32. Linklaters LLP	35
33. Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP	31
34. Dechert LLP	29
35. McCarthy Tétrault LLP	28
36. Wyrick Robbins Yates & Ponton LLP	27
37. Vinson & Elkins LLP	26
38. Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP	23
39. Gibson Dunn & Crutcher LLP	23
40. Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati PC	22

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41.	Dickinson Wright PLLC	22
42.	Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP	22
43.	Schottenstein Zox & Dunn Co.	21
44.	Lovells	20
45.	Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP	20
46.	Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP	19
47.	Hogan & Hartson LLP	19
48.	Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP	18
49.	Debevoise & Plimpton LLP	17
50.	Bingham McCutchen LLP	15