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Marcus Lee is a business-oriented corporate attorney with extensive experience in advising companies on raising private and venture capital, licensing and protecting software, trademarks, patents, and other intellectual property, and structuring, negotiating, and documenting complex business contracts, acquisitions, and joint ventures.

With over 20 years of experience advising his clients, Marcus is recognized by his clients as a business focused attorney who gets transactions completed in an efficient and timely manner. Marcus' clients include serial entrepreneurs, start-up and emerging growth companies as well as Fortune 500 enterprises. The type of work Marcus helps his clients with includes company formation, negotiating contracts, private placements and capital raises, mergers, acquisitions and joint ventures, protection of intellectual property, and general legal advice. Marcus is often considered the "outside general counsel" for many of his clients.

Notable

- *Best Lawyers in America*, Corporate Law, 2021-2023
- *North Carolina Super Lawyers* Rising Stars, 2009-2010
- Member, Rotary Club of Charlotte
- Member, Moore & Van Allen Public Service Committee
- Former Member of Board of Directors, Rotary Club of Charlotte
- Former Member of Board of Directors, Charlotte Rescue Mission
- Former Member of Board of Directors, Ventureprise
- Elder, Bethel Presbyterian Church

Capabilities

- Corporate Governance & Shareholder Relations
- Health Care
- Intellectual Property
- Joint Ventures & Strategic Transactions
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Privacy & Data Security
- Private Equity
- Securities & Capital Markets

Education

- M.B.A., Wake Forest University, 1998
- J.D., Wake Forest University, 1998, magna cum laude
- B.A., Wake Forest University, 1993, cum laude

Admissions

- North Carolina, 1998

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Affiliations

- North Carolina Bar Association
- American Bar Association

Representative Experience

- Represented national banks in acquisitions of more than 20 insurance agencies, including a \$570 million acquisition of a large property, casualty, and life insurance agency
- Represented publicly-held textile company in structuring, negotiating and closing acquisitions and joint ventures in China, India, The Netherlands, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Brazil, Slovenia, and Mexico
- Represented Fortune 500 companies in negotiating over 1,000 software license, SaaS, and other technology agreements, including with Microsoft, Amazon, Oracle, IBM, and Google
- Represented start-up and merging growth technology and medical device companies in raising over \$500 million of private capital