

## WILLIAM "BILL" H. ZIMMERN

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Bill Zimmern provides strategic leadership and practical, business-oriented advice on a broad range of mergers and acquisitions transactions, with substantial experience involving financial sponsors, large corporations, and the representation of founders and long-time owners. He also assists clients with securities and general corporate matters.

Bill has worked for sophisticated clients across a number of industries, including in the healthcare, information technology, financial services, business and industrial services, retail, and real estate industries.

Prior to joining the firm, Bill practiced at Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP in New York.

### Notable

- *Best Lawyers in America*, Corporate Law, 2024; Mergers and Acquisitions Law, 2024
- *Legal 500 US*, M&A: Middle-Market, 2023
- *Business North Carolina Legal Elite*, Corporate, 2023
- *North Carolina Super Lawyers*, Rising Stars, 2013-2016
- Published in Aspatore Books' *Strategies for Negotiating Mergers and Acquisitions: Leading Lawyers on Understanding Clients' Needs and Successfully Negotiating M&A Transactions*
- Board of Trustees, Charlotte Country Day School, 2014-present; Chairman, Committee on Trustees, 2018-2022, Board Chairman, 2022-present
- Board Member, Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte, 2014-2021; Executive Committee 2018-2021
- Board Member and Board Chairman, Bruce Irons Camp Fund, 2009-2015

### Capabilities

Corporate Governance & Shareholder Relations  
Health Care  
Independent Sponsor  
Joint Ventures & Strategic Transactions  
Mergers & Acquisitions  
Private Equity  
Securities & Capital Markets

### Education

J.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, high honors, Order of the Coif, North Carolina Law Review  
B.A., Cornell University, cum laude

### Admissions

New York  
North Carolina

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- Cabinet Member, Arts & Science Council, 2009-2010
- Bernstein Leadership Group, Class VII

### **Affiliations**

- American Bar Association
- North Carolina Bar Association
- Mecklenburg County Bar Association

### **Representative Experience**

- Represented a financial sponsor in the acquisition of an environmental services from another financial sponsor
- Represented a financial sponsor in the purchase of a financial services software business, subsequent add-on acquisitions, and successful sale of the business to a large publicly traded consulting firm
- Represented a financial sponsor in the acquisition of a retail eye wear business, an equity recapitalization, and subsequent add-on acquisitions
- Represented a platform business that provides professional educational services in add-on acquisitions and related transactional matters
- Represented a financial sponsor in the acquisition of the semiconductor equipment division of a publicly traded health science and technology company, and the subsequent sale of the business to a publicly traded industrial strategic acquirer
- Represented a financial sponsor in equity investment in a healthcare marketing company
- Represented a specialty finance holding company in the acquisition of an equipment leasing business
- Represented a publicly traded manufacturer and industrial services company in the acquisition of an energy consulting business
- Represented a publicly traded manufacturer and industrial services company with the divestiture of security design and integration business
- Represented a publicly traded hospital chain in the sale of various healthcare facilities
- Represented the founders of a specialty fabrication and engineering business with the auction process and sale to a financial sponsor
- Represented the founders of an industrial equipment distribution company in the sale of the business to a Dow 30 conglomerate
- Represented a foreign strategic acquirer with the acquisition of the plastics division of a publicly traded competitor
- Represented a foreign strategic acquirer with the acquisition of an energy services and construction business

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- Represented management in its buyout of an insurance services business from a publicly traded financial institution
- Represented an investor group with the sale of a health and fitness center business