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Rick is co-founder and partner at Cooley's Chicago office. He has extensive experience representing public and private companies and the venture capital firms and private investors that fund them. Concentrating in corporate and securities law while acting as a true business adviser, he counsels investors and companies throughout their life cycle on matters ranging from formation to complex corporate investments and transactions. Adept at advising emerging and growth-stage companies in all stages of development, Rick routinely works with these companies on private financings, mergers and acquisitions, dispositions and equity and debt investments.

In addition to his robust company-side practice, Rick also has extensive experience assisting venture capital and private equity sponsors in raising capital from public and private pension funds, foundations, endowments, family offices and high-net-worth individuals. He also represents institutional investors and family offices in their investments in private equity and VC funds. Rick's experience encompasses a wide range of fund products, including venture capital, buyout, real estate and fund of funds. He has helped individuals and groups of managers organize general partner and management company entities and resolve separation or termination-related issues. In addition, he has represented high-net-worth families in the formation and restructuring of family office investment vehicles and has helped investors with secondary transfers of portfolios of limited partner interests.

In 2017, Rick was the only private practice lawyer recognized in the Crain's Chicago Business Tech 50 list of the most innovative and influential professionals in the Chicago technology industry.

Before joining Cooley, Rick was a partner at Winston & Strawn.

Education

University of California at Los Angeles School of Law
JD, 1991

University of Michigan
BA, 1988

Admissions & Credentials

Illinois

Rankings & Accolades

Crain's Chicago Business: Tech 50 (2017)

International Bar Association: Who's Who Legal – Illinois, Private Funds (2007 – 2010)

The Legal 500: Venture Capital & Emerging Companies