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Sale works with high-growth emerging companies, startup founders and venture capital investors in many different industries, advising them on company formations, venture financings, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, and other strategic, commercial and general corporate matters over the full life cycle of his clients.

The Legal 500 US recognized Sale as a Next Generation Partner in Venture Capital and Emerging Companies from 2021 through 2024. Sale frequently speaks on various topics relating to startups and venture capital at the Stanford Graduate School of Business, Stanford Law School and California Western School of Law, and he served as a member of the investment committee for the Stanford Angels & Entrepreneurs (SA&E).

Fluent in Korean, Sale also is actively involved in various South Korean organizations in the startup/venture ecosystem – including the Korea Innovation Center Silicon Valley (KIC-SV), Korea Development Bank (KDB), Korea International Trade Association (KITA), Korea Investment Corporation (KIC), Korea Trade-Investment Promotion Agency (KOTRA) and Korea Venture Investment Corporation (KVIC).

Sale's current and former representations include:

- ACVC Partners
- AIM Intelligent Machines
- Allo
- ANAFLASH
- Andreessen Horowitz
- ARK Diagnostics
- Armored Fresh
- Asia2G Capital
- Auditoria.AI
- Banyan Infrastructure
- Beverley Hills Plastic Surgeons (Tech Beauty)
- Breakthrough Victoria
- BuildBlock
- CapitalG

- Centaurus Therapeutics
- ClearFlame Engine Technologies
- Crossmint
- Crowdbotics
- CTK USA Holdings
- Doosan Corporation
- Dunamu
- EarlyBird
- EOFlow
- EverCharge
- EXO Freight
- Flow (FTS Tech)
- Gaya Technologies
- General Catalyst
- Genvax Technologies
- GS Futures
- Hanwha Asset Management
- Hanwha Corporation
- Hazelcast
- Higgsfield AI
- H/L Ventures
- HOYA Corporation
- Hyundai Mobis
- Jetson
- KB Investment
- Kodra Technologies
- Korea Investment Corporation
- Korea Investment Partners
- LevitasBio
- LFX Ventures
- LG Technology Ventures
- Lightspeed Venture Partners
- LOVO AI
- Maverick Ventures
- Mimchik
- Mitsubishi Corporation
- Neosapience (Typecast)

- Noom
- NOVA Prime Fund
- NVIDIA Corporation
- NVentures
- Passkey
- PATH Water
- Proxima Enterprises
- Qlay Technologies
- RAPT Therapeutics
- RegCell
- Samsung Securities
- Samsung Venture Investment Corporation
- Sandlot Partners
- Shinhan Investment
- SK Hynix
- Soulbrain
- Spotlight Therapeutics
- Svexa
- TEECOM
- Thai Oil
- Vanilla Technologies
- Waiker
- WeMade Entertainment
- Wheeler Bio
- Woori Venture Partners
- WPD Management
- YJ Lab
- Yum! Brands
- Zebrium
- Zoom Video Communications

Sale served as a captain in the Republic of Korea Army Judge Advocate General's Corps and represented South Korea in various defense procurement deals.

While in law school, he completed an externship with US District Judge Vaughn R. Walker of the US District Court for the Northern District of California.

Education

Stanford Law School
JD, 2008

Stanford University

MA, 2005

Stanford University

BA, 2004

Admissions & Credentials

California

Rankings & Accolades

The Legal 500 US: Next Generation Partner for Venture Capital and Emerging Companies (2021 – 2024)

Memberships & Affiliations

American Bar Association (ABA)