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Recognized by clients, the media, and professional commentators as best in class, Weil's lawyers are known for the clarity, timeliness, and effectiveness of their counsel, and as a result, have become their clients' call of first resort for solutions to their toughest legal challenges. Weil's one-firm approach ensures that the Firm works seamlessly to handle the most complex Corporate, Litigation, Regulatory, Tax, and Restructuring challenges.



Corporate

"The partners and associates have their finger on the pulse on the market, the law and legal developments."
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"Unlike other firms, their lawyers are always looking to find solutions rather than just identifying problems in a transaction."
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Recent experience includes advising:

- **DIRECTV** in its \$67.1 billion acquisition by **AT&T**
- **Verizon** in its \$4.4 billion acquisition of **AOL**
- **Willis Holdings Group** in its \$18 billion merger with **Towers Watson**
- Counsel to **GE** and **Synchrony Financial** in **Synchrony's** \$2.95 billion initial public offering – the largest U.S. consumer finance IPO since the financial crisis
- **Facebook** in its \$19 billion acquisition of **WhatsApp**
- **Baring Private Equity Asia** in its \$3 billion **Giant Interactive Group** take-private deal
- The underwriters in the IPO of **CBS Outdoor Americas**
- **Intel** in its \$16.7 billion definitive agreement to acquire **Altera Corporation**
- **CEC Entertainment** in its \$1.3 billion take private by **Apollo Global Management**
- Principal shareholders of Spanish cable company **Grupo Corporativo Ono** on the €7.2 billion sale of **Ono** to **Vodafone Group**
- **Kinder Morgan** in its \$76 billion acquisition of **KMP, KMR** and **EPB**
- **Hahn & Co.** in, together with **Hankook Tire Co. Ltd.** (South Korea), the \$3.6 billion acquisition of an approximately 70% equity stake in **Halla Visteon Climate Control Corp.** (South Korea)
- **General Electric** in its strategic plan to sell most of **GE Capital's** assets
- **Oracle** in its \$5.3 billion acquisition of **MICROS Systems**
- **Apollo Global Management** on largest U.S. CLO transaction since 2007 and on European CLOs
- **Ceridian, Thomas H. Lee Partners** and **Fidelity National Financial** in \$3.45 billion sale of **Comdata** to **FleetCor Technologies**
- **Providence Equity Partners** on its first African Investment (**Helios Towers Africa**, leading telecoms tower operator in Africa)
- Counsel to **Morgan Stanley** and **J.P. Morgan** in providing financing for **Tyson's** acquisition of **Hillshire**

Tax, Benefits & Executive Compensation

Our Tax, Executive Compensation & Benefits Department is fully integrated with the Firm's other practices. Lawyers in this department provide intelligent and innovative advice on the most complex deals, as well as on high-profile restructurings and workouts, financing arrangements, capital markets transactions and other matters. Recent experience in this area includes providing tax, benefits and executive compensation advice to:

- **Dave & Busters' Entertainment** in its IPO
- **Verizon** in its \$4.4 billion acquisition of **AOL**
- **Advent International** in its acquisition of **Noosa Yoghurt, LLC**
- **AMR Corporation**, parent company of **American Airlines**, in its chapter 11 process and emergence from bankruptcy, as well as its subsequent merger with **US Airways**

"A very knowledgeable tax group that represents very significant clients."
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"They are very sharp, knowledgeable about tax arcana, extremely professional, smart and forward-thinking."
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"The service is top-quality. The lawyers are insightful and diligent, and analyse matters thoroughly."
Chambers Europe

Litigation

“Excellent work product, very responsive, very professional and great partners — they work with us to help us achieve our business objectives.”

Chambers USA

“They have the depth to provide the high-level antitrust advice we need.”

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“Our go-to for bet-the-company cases.”

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“The practice is impressive in litigation and international arbitration.”

Chambers Europe

Recent experience includes advising:

- **lululemon athletica** in the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit affirming the dismissal of all claims in securities class action litigation brought against the company after it pulled certain merchandise from stores due to an unacceptable level of sheerness
- **Elite Model Management** in a nationwide collective and New York class action involving whether unpaid interns are “non-employees” exempt from the minimum wage
- **Simon & Schuster** in securing the dismissal in a putative antitrust class action filed by a group of independent bricks-and-mortar bookstores against **S&S**, other major e-book publishers, and **Amazon.com**, alleging claims of unlawful agreements and monopolization in violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act
- **Littlewoods** group in a landmark victory in its long-running dispute with **HMRC** concerning interest on overpaid VAT. The High Court judgment held that **Littlewoods'** claims, worth approximately £1.25 billion, succeed in full and remains one of the largest money judgments ever handed down by the English courts
- **Procter & Gamble** in a Florida Federal Court dismissing the claims of 62 plaintiffs, after six years of litigation, in a products liability multi-district litigation in which hundreds of plaintiffs alleged that their use of Fixodent denture cream caused neurologic injury
- **CBS Broadcasting Inc.** in a definitive landmark victory when the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee granted the dismissal with prejudice of a putative class action relating to the broadcast of college sports games
- **Marsh & McLennan** in a summary judgment victory in a dispute with two former executives that provides guidance for companies as to how they may conduct internal investigations against a backdrop of government regulatory and criminal investigations

Business Finance & Restructuring

Recent experience includes advising:

- **The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.** (A&P) in its chapter 11 case
- Significant creditor interests in connection with the debt issued by **Puerto Rico** and its public corporations
- **Endeavour International** and its subsidiaries in its chapter 11 cases
- **Barclays Bank** on the £1.5 billion restructuring of the **General Healthcare Group**
- **Chassix Holdings** and its subsidiaries in their \$700 million capital restructuring
- **National Public Finance Guaranty Corporation** in the City of Stockton, California's and City of San Bernardino, California's chapter 9 bankruptcy cases
- **Lehman Brothers** in its chapter 11 bankruptcy
- The **KPMG Administrators of MF Global UK** in a landmark settlement of the MF Global group's pension liabilities
- **The Financial Guaranty Insurance Company** in connection with the chapter 9 bankruptcy case filed by the City of Detroit, Michigan
- **AMR Corporation**, parent company of **American Airlines**, in its chapter 11 process and emergence from bankruptcy, as well as its subsequent merger with **US Airways**

“The preeminent bankruptcy firm in the USA with a full complement of expertise and an understanding of the pragmatics and dynamics of how cases work.”

Chambers USA

“They have the ability to put up a formidable team on large and wide-ranging cases.”

Chambers Europe

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