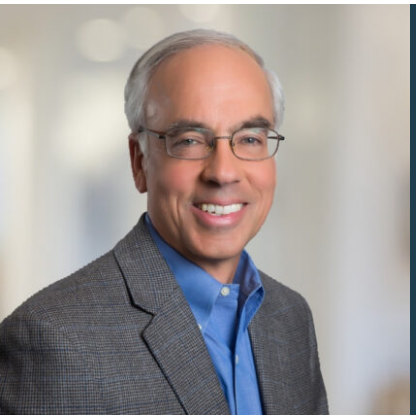

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Bob Jahrling has over 30 years of experience representing publicly-held as well as venture-backed, family-owned and other privately-held companies in the areas of securities law, corporate finance, and acquisitions. He has been listed in *Chambers USA*, *Best Lawyers in America*, and *The Legal 500 United States*, as well as *Massachusetts Super Lawyers*.

Bob has worked with companies from a wide range of industries – from software, telecommunications, and market research to medical devices and healthcare services – in their initial financing through initial public offering or acquisition. He also advised companies with respect to strategic business matters, public and private securities offerings, domestic and international mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance, SEC reporting and compliance, strategic partnerships and joint ventures and executive compensation matters. Bob's public company work included serving as counsel to boards of directors and board committees.

In addition, Bob represented leading venture capital and private equity firms in connection with portfolio company transactions, including minority investments, buyouts and leveraged recapitalizations.

Focus Areas

Private Equity and M&A

Life Sciences and Technology

Recognition

- *Massachusetts Super Lawyers*
- *Chambers USA* (2015-2021)
- *Best Lawyers in America* (2015, 2018, 2021-2022)
- *Legal 500*

Representative Engagements

- General counsel to public business process management (BPM) and customer relationship management (CRM) software company.
- General counsel to public technology and market research firm.
- General counsel to satellite-based Internet backbone infrastructure solutions company.
- Counsel to special committee of board of directors of vitamin and supplements company in connection with sale of company.
- Hospice care company in connection with its initial public offering of common stock.
- Leading private equity firm in connection with its spinout and financing of software business.
- Manufacturer of semiconductor components with applications for defense industry in connection with

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its sale to public company strategic buyer.

- Financial services market research firm in connection with its sale to public company strategic buyer.
- Private equity sponsor in connection with leveraged buyout of nursing home chain.
- General counsel to hydrokinetic power generation company

Publications and Presentations

- "Linchpins of a Successful Special Committee," co-author, *Securities Law360*
- "Making Successful Investments in Clean-tech," quoted, *Financier Worldwide Magazine*

Professional & Community Involvement

- Former Member, Choate Executive Committee
- Member, Massachusetts Bar Association
- Member, Boston Bar Association

Education & Credentials

- University of Virginia School of Law, JD (1983)
- Dartmouth College, AB (1979)

Admissions

- Massachusetts