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Bill Mahood is a mergers and acquisitions lawyer with more than 30 years of experience representing clients in acquisitions, divestitures and joint ventures across a variety of industries, including financial services, software and technology and manufacturing / distribution. He works closely with business owners, entrepreneurs and boards to navigate complex transactions — guiding strategic growth, succession planning and long-term value creation.

With in-house experience and representing a Fortune 100 enterprise in all of its mid-market transactions, Bill brings deep transactional insight and a problem-solving approach to his practice. He regularly represents both buyers and sellers on a national scale and connects clients with the full resources of Polsinelli's national platform when their needs extend beyond M&A.

Bill advises clients on:

- Selling businesses and designing rollover, earnout and transition plans
- Growing companies through M&A and joint ventures
- Guiding boards, executive teams and family offices on corporate governance and general counsel matters
- Preparing companies to maximize value for a future exit
- Entity formation, governance and the impact of Kansas, Missouri and Delaware state law on significant corporate transactions

Education

- Columbia University-NYC (Legal Masters, 1994)
 - Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar; Parker School Recognition of Achievement (with honors) in International Law
- University of Kansas (J.D., 1993)
 - Kansas Law Review, Editor in Chief
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- University of Kansas (B.S., 1986)
 - Accounting

Capabilities

- Corporate & Transactional
- Mergers, Acquisitions & Divestitures
- Private Equity - Mergers & Acquisitions
- Private Equity
- Joint Ventures & Strategic Alliances

- Business Administration

Bar Admissions

- Missouri, 1993
- Kansas, 2007

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court

Memberships

- Boy Scouts of America, Heart of America Council
 - Board of Directors, Executive Committee, Legal Counsel
 - Silver Beaver Award, 2021 (Highest award given to volunteers by local councils)
 - Tribe of Mic-O-Say, Honorary Warrior
- American Bar Association
 - M&A Committee, Deal Points Studies Member, 2017-2023
- Association for Corporate Growth
 - Board of Directors, 2017-2023
- West Point Parents Club
 - Treasurer, 2015-2017
- Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce
 - Centurions Leadership Program Graduate, 2006
- University of Kansas Alumni Association
 - KU Law School, Dean's Club
 - Life Member
- Arrived Outdoors, Charter Member
- Financial Executives International, Member

Recognition

- Selected for inclusion in *IFLR 1000* as Highly Regarded in M&A, 2024
- Ranked in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* for the following:
 - Corporate/M&A, Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds, Band 2, 2021-2025
 - Corporate/M&A, Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds, Band 3, 2008-2021
- AV Rated *Martindale-Hubbell*
- Selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers in America*® for:
 - Mergers and Acquisitions Law, 2024-2026
 - Corporate Law, 2007-2016, 2018-2026
- Sprint Corporation
 - Attorney – Corporate Transactions, 1999-2000
- Certified Public Accountant
- Recognized by *The American Lawyer* as a participant in the 2013 “Global Deal of the Year” for the Sprint Softbank transaction