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Christian Fabian guides private equity sponsors and domestic and international businesses through U.S. and cross-border transactions, helping clients execute strategic acquisitions, investments and other complex business transactions. He represents clients across the automotive, professional services, food and beverage, consumer products, life sciences, gaming and technology sectors in public and private mergers, tender offers, stock and asset acquisitions, divestitures, joint ventures and strategic alliances. His practice also includes advising on private equity investments, exits, rollover transactions, recapitalizations, private placements and corporate governance matters.

In addition to his M&A practice, Christian brings a strong governance practice supporting accounting and other professional services firms. He counsels boards and firm leadership on fiduciary duties, firm policies and amendments to governing documents, helping clients address the corporate and governance issues that shape ownership, management and strategic decision-making.

Education

- University of Detroit Mercy School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*)
- Oakland University (B.S.E.)
 - Mechanical Engineering

Bar Admissions

- Illinois

Memberships

- Economic Club of Chicago
- Chicago Council on Global Affairs
 - Fellow, Emerging Leaders Class of 2016, 2015-2016
- American Bar Association
 - Member, Committee on Venture Capital and Private Equity
 - Member, Committee on Mergers and Acquisitions
 - Member, Business Law Section

Capabilities

- Private Equity - Mergers & Acquisitions
- Mergers, Acquisitions & Divestitures
- Corporate & Transactional

- University of Detroit School of Law

Recognition

- Recognized as a Thomson Reuters Stand-out Lawyer, 2023, 2024, 2026
- Recognized in *Leading Lawyers* for:
 - International Business & Trade Law, 2024
 - Mergers & Acquisitions Law, 2024
 - Securities & Venture Finance Law, 2024
- Selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers in America*® for Corporate Law, 2023
- Recognized in *The Legal 500 USA*, 2022
- Named to the BTI M&A Client Service All-Stars, 2015-2017, 2019, 2021
- Selected for inclusion in *Illinois Super Lawyers*, 2013-2017, 2019, 2021

Matters

- Represented a leading U.S. private equity sponsor in multiple M&A transactions supporting strategy growth and expansion of multiple core platforms.
- Represented Gibraltar Industries, Inc., a leading manufacturer and provider of products and services for the residential, agtech and infrastructure markets, in multiple M&A transactions across the U.S.
- Represented Atkore Inc., a leading manufacturer of electrical products for commercial, industrial, data center and solar applications, in multiple M&A transactions across the U.S.
- Represented Equity International, a private equity firm focused primarily on investing outside of the U.S., in multiple M&A transactions.
- Represented a UK private equity firm in its U.S. private equity investment in a company operating in the tourism industry.
- Represented a global consumer products company in a transatlantic acquisition from a UK-based private equity firm.
- Represented a global specialty pharmaceutical and medication delivery company in the acquisition of a developer of non-invasive medical devices.
- Represented Equity International and the founders of Valores Integrales Inmobiliarios, S.A. de C.V. in a SPAC transaction with Promecap Acquisition S.A.B. de C.V.
- Represented Equity International in its private equity investment in ARG Realty Group, a commercial real estate company based in Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- Represented Equity International in its private equity investment in Grupo Acosta Verde, a developer, owner and manager of shopping centers in Mexico.
- Represented an Asia-based private equity firm in an investment in U.S. real estate assets.
- Represented Caterpillar Inc. in a global M&A project to dispose of Bucyrus mining equipment sales, service and support businesses in the United States, Europe, Asia, Africa, South America and other parts of the world.
- Represented Grupo Odinsa S.A., a Colombian infrastructure company, in the acquisition of a 50% interest in the Mariscal Sucre Airport in Quito, Ecuador.
- Represented Empresas ICA, S.A.B. de C.V., Mexico's largest infrastructure company, in the acquisition of the Facchina Construction Group.
- Represented an international power developer in the acquisition of a development-stage LNG-to-power project in Latin America.
- Represented Caesars Entertainment Corporation in its acquisition of Centaur

Holdings, LLC, the owner of Hoosier Park Racing and Casino in Anderson, Indiana and the Indiana Grand Racing and Casino in Shelbyville, Indiana.

- Represented George Weston Limited, a Canadian public company whose operating subsidiaries comprise one of North America's largest food processing and distribution groups, in the sale of the United States fresh bread and baked goods business of its subsidiary Dunedin Holdings S.à r.l. to Grupo Bimbo, S.A.B. de C.V. for approximately \$2.5 billion.
- Represented an Asian-based global trading company in various U.S. investments, including agriculture, food and specialty chemicals.
- Represented Dobson Communications Corporation, a provider of rural and suburban wire-less communications services under the Cellular One brand, in the sale of the company to AT&T Inc. for approximately \$2.8 billion.
- Represented the holding company of Allied Specialty Insurance, Inc. and T.H.E. Insurance Company, a leading insurer of the outdoor entertainment industry in the United States, in its sale to a subsidiary of XL Group plc.
- Represented Aliaxis SA in connection with its tender offer for 100% of the outstanding shares of Durman Esquivel, a publicly traded Costa Rican company, and its related joint venture with the majority owner of Durman Esquivel with respect to their respective businesses located in Central America, South America and the Caribbean.
- Represented Coast Asset Management, LLC, an alternative investment manager serving institutional and high-net-worth investors, in connection with an investment by Summit Partners, a leading private equity and venture capital firm.

Publications

2025

Cross-Border Contractual JVs in the Manufacturing Sector

Co-Author, Practical Law Commercial Transactions

2025

Chapter 47. Post-Acquisition Disputes and Related Damages

Co-Author, The Comprehensive Guide to Economic Damages, Seventh Edition

2025

Chapter 50. Representations and Warranties Insurance

Co-Author, The Comprehensive Guide to Economic Damages, Seventh Edition