

David Hoeppner

Partner



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Bio

Known for a collaborative and pragmatic approach, David Hoeppner serves as a bridge between legal, financial, and operational teams to execute transactions smoothly and efficiently.

A JD/MBA, David provides legal and business counsel to family offices and investment funds on venture capital, growth equity investments, and M&A transactions, particularly in:

- energy generation and battery technology
- environmental and oceanic data generation
- freight transportation, distribution and logistics (drone delivery, trucking, rail)
- supply chain software and SAAS

Additionally, David advises philanthropic entities and hybrid organizations on governance, compliance, and strategic partnerships, particularly in non-profit and mission-driven structures. Understanding the increasingly data-driven investment landscape, he also assists clients in managing data privacy regulations and proactively mitigating associated risks.

Credentials

Education

Hofstra University

Hofstra University School of Law

McGill University

Bar Admissions

Illinois

New Jersey

New York

Key Cases or Transactions

- Represented a development company in a joint venture purchase of a parcel in New Orleans, LA to be developed into 24 townhouses for resale.
- Represented a Cayman Islands Special Purpose Acquisition Company (SPAC) in a share exchange valued at \$204 million, pursuant to which it acquired a China-based direct lending company.
- Represented broker-dealer in a \$7 million PIPE offering of stock in NYSE-listed medical device company in which broker-dealer received a 6% commission and warrants to purchase up to 6% of the securities sold in the transaction.
- Represented a NASDAQ-listed biotech company in a \$75 million debt financing.
- Represented a publicly-traded retailer in a joint venture with a Brazilian distributor in which retailer established and supplied a manufacturing facility to be run by the Brazilian distributor.
- Provided general counsel services to portfolio companies of software-focused venture capital fund and incubator including over \$80 million of 3rd party venture capital funding.
- Represented a publicly-traded retailer in joint venture with UK-based consumer products company in which retailer would supply goods for UK-based stores to be run by the UK-based entity.
- Represented an education software company in its \$60 million stock sale to an education services portfolio company of large NY-based private equity firm involving stock, cash and earn-out consideration.
- Represented a privately-held UK-based mobile telecommunications company in a \$10 million reverse merger with a corporation quoted on the OTCQB.
- Represented a healthcare services company in its \$50 million asset sale to a healthcare services portfolio company of a large private equity firm involving stock, cash and earn-out consideration.
- Represented an issuer in a \$7 million private offering of limited liability company interests in which proceeds were used to acquire real estate for development.
- Represented a publicly-traded retailer in acquisition of consumer goods manufacturer.
- Represented managing shareholder in \$4.2 million buyout of minority shareholders in specialty foods distribution company.
- Represented debt services company in \$8.5 million buyout of minority partner.
- Represented a national medical device company in strategic acquisition by private equity fund.

News

11 Gould & Ratner Lawyers Recognized in the 2027 Edition of Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America, August 20, 2026

13 Gould & Ratner Lawyers Recognized in the 2026 Edition of the Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America, August 21, 2025

Gould & Ratner Earns Recognition in M&A Deal of the Year Awards, October 15, 2024

Gould & Ratner Represented Ichthus Capital in Non-Dilutive Financing with Saebo, November 11, 2022

David Hoeppner Named Partner at Gould & Ratner, November 1, 2022

Gould & Ratner Represented Ichthus Capital Partners in Closing of Inaugural Private Credit Fund, July 7, 2022

Corporate Practice Adds New Lawyers, November 29, 2018

Publications

FinCEN Permanently Ends Beneficial Ownership Reporting for U.S. Companies and Will Delete Previously Filed Data, August 12, 2026

Corporate Transparency Act Will Require New Layer of Compliance for Private Companies, March 23, 2023