

G. Michael O'Leary



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INDUSTRIES

Energy
Energy Transactions

PRACTICE AREAS

Corporate/Securities
Corporate Compliance,
Investigations and
Defense

EDUCATION

JD, 1980, honors,
University of Houston
Law Center
BS, 1977, *cum laude*,
Finance, University of
Alabama

ADMITTED

Texas 1980

Mike's practice emphasizes substantial experience in all aspects of corporate transactions, including representation of public and private companies and investment banking firms. His work with financing transactions includes public offerings and private placements of equity and debt; redemptions and exchanges of preferred equity and debt; and project financings (including partnership and limited partnership financings). Mike also counsels on a wide range of strategic transactional matters, including formation of partnership and joint ventures, including international joint ventures and alliances; publicly traded limited partnerships; spin-offs; mergers, acquisitions and dispositions (by tender offer, exchange offer and otherwise) of corporations, divisions of corporations and other entities; changes of control and strategic alliances; structuring "going private" transactions; defensive techniques; director fiduciary duties; restructurings; and liquidations. He has particular experience with energy and oilfield service companies, pipeline transportation, staff leasings, royalty trusts, and forest products companies.

ARTICLES/PUBLICATIONS

- "Inbound US M&A: decline of the dollar attracts foreign buyers" Financier Worldwide (May 2008)

PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

Member

- Houston Bar Association
- State Bar of Texas

Listed

- Profiled as one of the leading Corporate/M&A lawyers in Texas, Chambers USA, America's Leading Business Lawyers (2006)
- Texas Super Lawyer in Securities and Corporate Finance, Texas Monthly (2003-2007)

HEADLINE NEWS

- Andrews Kurth Announces Policy Committee Election (August 28, 2008)
- Andrews Kurth Announces Policy Committee Election (August 16, 2007)

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- Andrews Kurth Receives High Rankings in Chambers USA Guide (June 25, 2007)
- Firm Represents El Paso Corporation in \$179 Million E&P Acquisition (January 28, 2005)
- Andrews Kurth Adds to its 2005 Chambers USA Ranking (June 16, 2005)