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Will advises public and private companies operating in the finance and technology industries on M&A, venture capital investments, and commercial transactions. He is described by digital assets clients as "hands down the best crypto commercial lawyer."

Will represents U.S. and international emerging and established finance and technology companies in a wide range of transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, venture capital investments, product launches, distribution agreements, and financial services agreements. Deeply knowledgeable in U.S. securities and corporate governance laws and investment standards, he regularly advises clients in cross-border transactions occurring in the United States and abroad.

Will has extensive experience advising digital assets and blockchain clients in commercial transactions and product launches and is described by a client as "hands down the best crypto commercial lawyer."

Key Matters

Some of the experience represented below may have been handled at a previous firm.

Digital Assets and Blockchain Matters

- Represented blockchain securities exchange in the initial offering and secondary trading of note tokens.
- Represented blockchain investor in negotiating its purchase of bitcoin mining notes.
- Represented cryptocurrency exchange in its negotiation of digital asset custody arrangement.
- Represented cryptocurrency derivatives platform in its launch of derivative products.
- Represented digital asset manager in its stablecoin-based loan to a digital assets and equity hedge fund.
- Represented Spanish public company in its transactions in digital assets in the United States.
- Represented issuer in the design and sale of gold-backed digital token.
- Represented blockchain investor in negotiating and investing in a special-purpose guaranteed return vehicle.
- Represented digital asset manager in its investments in cryptocurrency and digital asset funds.
- Represented blockchain investor in its purchase of web3 videogame profit tokens.
- Represented bitcoin lightning network wallet in its launch and subsequent commercial initiatives.

Finance and Technology Matters

- Represented selling shareholders in the sale of minority equity interest in an insurance premium finance company to a private equity fund and related company reorganization.
- Represented Liechtenstein family office in the acquisition of assets of a micromirror technology company and related recapitalization.
- Represented alternative legal services provider in corporate reorganization in connection with the spinoffs of two separate businesses.
- Represented private equity-backed healthcare software company in its acquisition of all of the equity of human services provider software company.
- Represented U.S. subsidiary of Swiss public company in its purchase of all of the stock of a U.S. micromachine tool manufacturer.
- Represented Swiss venture capital entities in their investment in the preferred stock of U.S. cloud analytics software provider.

Venture Capital Matters

- Represented Swiss venture capital entities in their investment of preferred stock of U.S. passive optical network plug maker.
- Represented Swiss venture capital entities in their investment in preferred stock of an Israeli digital asset infrastructure company.
- Represented Swiss venture capital entities in their investment in preferred stock of an Israeli cybersecurity company.
- Represented Swiss venture capital entities in their investment in convertible promissory notes of U.S. secret computing company.
- Represented Swiss venture capital entities in their investment in the preferred stock of an Israeli institutional digital asset security provider.

Recognitions

- The Best Lawyers in America —Recognized for FinTech Practice (2023–2025)
- The *Legal 500* US—Recommended for Media, Technology & Telecoms: FinTech (2022) and Recognized as a "Key Lawyer" for Finance: Fintech (2024)
- Lawdragon—Recognized among the "500 Leading Dealmakers in America" for M&A, Venture Capital, Finance & Technology, and Crypto (2025)

Activities

- Board Member, Swiss American Business Council
- Member, Business Law Section, American Bar Association

Credentials

EDUCATION

Will received his J.D., *cum laude*, from the Northwestern Pritzker School of Law where he was a member of the *Northwestern University Law Review*, and his B.A., with honors, from the University of Chicago.

ADMISSIONS

- Florida
- Illinois

Related Insights & News

Speaking Engagements

Moderator, "Protecting the Institution: Risk Mitigation for Digital Asset Companies, DC Blockchain Summit" (May 15, 2024)

Publications

Co-Author, "Digital Asset Mergers and Acquisitions" Chapter, *Blockchain & Cryptocurrency Regulation 2025*, Global Legal Insights

SEMINAR/CLE

Winston Hosts 2025 Financial Services Symposium in Charlotte JANUARY 30, 2025

ARTICLE

Winston & Strawn Attorneys Contribute to Global Legal Insights – Blockchain & Cryptocurrency Regulation 2025 OCTOBER 28, 2024

RECOGNITIONS

Winston Partners Recognized on the 2025 *Lawdragon 500* Leading Dealmakers in America List OCTOBER 22, 2024

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Winston Attorneys Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* © 2025 AUGUST 15, 2024

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Winston & Strawn Recognized in *The Legal 500 U.S.* 2024 JUNE 12, 2024

SPONSORSHIP

Winston Sponsors The Digital Chamber's D.C. Blockchain Summit 2024 MAY 15, 2024

CLIENT ALERT

Landmark Decision in *SEC v. Ripple Labs*: Digital Assets Are Not Inherently Securities JULY 17, 2023

WEBINAR

SEC v. Ripple Labs: Unpacking the Landmark Decision JULY 14, 2023

IN THE MEDIA

Will Turner Joins Winston & Strawn in Miami MAY 1, 2023

PRESS RELEASE

Winston & Strawn Bolsters Miami Corporate Practice With Addition of Will Turner APRIL 28, 2023

Capabilities

Corporate Governance Private Investment Funds Mergers & Acquisitions

Venture Capital Financial Services Technology, Media & Telecommunications

Cryptocurrencies, Digital Assets & Blockchain Technology FinTech, Banking & Payments