



Sophie Nguyen

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Sophie advises French and international companies and investors on their domestic and cross-border transactions. Her practice encompasses mergers & acquisitions, joint ventures and private equity transactions.

Sophie is a partner in the Paris office with extensive experience in M&A, private equity transactions and other corporate law concerns, both in France and internationally, and handles a broad spectrum of matters, including LBO's, joint ventures and corporate restructurings.

She advises leading companies, sponsors, family offices, institutional investors, portfolio companies and management teams with a focus in telecommunications, media and technology, healthcare, food & beverage, business services and automotive sectors.

Prior to joining the Firm, Sophie began her career in major French and international business law firms and spent more than ten years at a prestigious American law firm.

She is fluent in English and French.

Key Matters

- Advised **Forvia**, a leading technology company in the automotive industry, in connection with:
 - the sale of its exhaust aftertreatment business in Europe and the US to Cummins
 - Symbio, a joint venture co-owned with Michelin and Stellantis
 - its strategic partnership and investment in Parrot Automotive
 - the sale of its automotive exteriors business to Plastic Omnium
- Advised **Eurazeo PME** in connection with the LBO of Sevetys Group, one of the largest vet clinic in France
- Advised **Mérieux Equity Partners** on:
 - its investment in DomusVi, one of the leading operators in the medical and social sector in Europe
 - its acquisition alongside ICG of Doc Generici, an Italian pharmaceutical company sold by CVC Capital Partners
 - its acquisition alongside IK Partners of Mabtech AB, a Swedish biotech specialized in antibodies.
- Advised **Meeschaert Group**, a French family-owned private bank operating in the asset management solutions, in connection with the sale of Financière Meeschaert to LFPI
- Advised **Cobepa** in connection with:
 - the LBO of the Gerflor group
 - the LBO and sale of Exclusive Networks
 - the acquisition of a minority stake in Groupe Babilou
 - the LBO of Socotec France
- Advised **Ebro Foods** in connection with the sale of Panzani to CVC Capital Partners
- Advised **Hg** in connection with the LBO of Septeo group, a European leader in LegalTech based in France
- Advised **Bluestar Adisseo Company**, a world leader in feed additives for animal nutrition, in connection with a joint venture established in China with Calysta
- Advised **Frans Bonhomme**, supported by its main shareholder Centerbridge Partners, in connection with the acquisition of DMTP, a Saint-Gobain Distribution Bâtiment France's subsidiary.
- Advised **Swedish Steel AB** in connection with the acquisition of Abraservice from Jacquet Metal Group.
- Advised **Toshiba Medial Systems** in connection with the acquisition of Olea Medical.

Recent Experience

Winston advises Downtown Paris on its acquisition by Publicis Groupe

Winston assists Milexia in Acquiring Cabcongroup

Winston advises Ardian on its acquisition of a majority stake in Alstef Group

Winston advises Chabé in acquiring a majority stake in Palazzi Agency S.r.l.

Winston assists Eurazeo in the financing of Vulcain Ingénierie's fourth LBO

Credentials

EDUCATION

Lawyer since 2011, Sophie holds a Master's degree in International Business Law (Aix-Marseille III University), and a Diploma in Legal Studies (University of Manchester).

ADMISSIONS

- Paris, France

Related Insights & News

Publications and Speaking Engagements

- Conference, "S'inspirer du Private Equity : voie à suivre pour les corporates ?", M&A Stories, June 2025

RECOGNITIONS

Winston & Strawn Paris Recognized in *The Legal 500 EMEA* 2025

MARCH 26, 2025

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Women Lawyers from the Firm's Paris and London Offices Convene for Day of Connecting and Learning

NOVEMBER 22, 2024

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Winston & Strawn Attorneys Recognized in *The Best Lawyers™ in France* 2025

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Winston Paris Teams Win Palmarès du Droit 2024 International Law Firm of the Year Award

MARCH 26, 2024

PRESS RELEASE

Winston & Strawn Adds Sophie Nguyen as Partner in Paris

MARCH 8, 2024

Capabilities

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Private Equity

Automotive & Mobility

Health Care

Technology, Media & Telecommunications

Food & Beverage