

Eva Davis Profiled as a Trailblazer in M&A by *Mergermarket*



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Winston & Strawn partner Eva Davis was featured in a *Mergermarket* article highlighting notable people across the mergers & acquisitions dealmaking cycle in North America. In the profile, Eva discussed a defining moment in her career in M&A that shaped her leadership style, the turning point when she felt she truly found her voice as a dealmaker, most exciting opportunities in the M&A and private equity environment in 2026, and more.

“Early in my career as a partner, I represented the same company through its full life cycle – from a carveout of a large strategic in the form of an LBO, to an IPO, to a public-company merger and ultimately a multibillion-dollar hostile takeover of a dual-listed company with operations spanning the US, Asia and Europe. That experience fundamentally shaped how I led as I managed a large cross-border team over several deals and several years.” Eva told *Mergermarket* of the defining moment that shaped her leadership style.

“It taught me that great outcomes are rarely about a single transaction or a single person — they’re about providing strong judgment, developing trust, showing up consistently over time and motivating a team to do the same. As a leader, that translates into being extremely prepared, commercially minded, and focused on long-term value creation, not just winning the moment,” she added. “Leadership in M&A is being deeply embedded in a client’s world, taking ownership of outcomes even when they don’t go your way, and showing up when the stakes are highest. That mindset has guided how I lead teams and serve clients ever since.”

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