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Serving as co-chair of Winston's Transactions Department, Brad has extensive experience advising financial sponsors, alternative asset managers, family offices, and private companies in connection with a wide range of strategic transactions and corporate matters. He is an integral member of one of the broadest and most active middle-market private equity groups in the U.S.

Brad represents private investment funds, hedge funds, family offices, lending institutions, and other alternative asset managers on complex business transactions. He counsels clients in structuring, negotiating, documenting, and executing leveraged buyouts, take-private transactions, minority recapitalizations, growth equity investments, distressed and special situations, PIPE transactions, joint ventures, business combinations, and other commercial transactions. Brad also advises on the implementation and execution of exit strategies through divestitures, public offerings, and recapitalizations.

Brad also represents public and private companies and private equity investors in the management of their portfolio companies in connection with a variety of matters, including: mergers and acquisitions; senior secured and subordinated debt offerings and refinancings; mezzanine debt offerings; high-yield note offerings; public equity offerings; workouts; and corporate reorganizations.

In addition, he represents real estate funds in a variety of transactions, including fundraising and formation; acquisitions; financings; and dispositions of office buildings, multi-family, residential, and mixed-use developments.

Brad regularly represents founders, entrepreneurs, and emerging and established entities in growth-oriented capital raises as well as liquidating transactions and recapitalizations.

Recent Experience

Winston advises Atlantic Sustainable Catch in its acquisition of Atlantic Capes Fisheries

Winston Represented Revelstoke Capital Partners in Acquisition of NKMD MGMT, LLC

GenNx360 Capital Partners in the Sale of Miller Environmental Group

Stellex Capital Management's Acquisition of The James Skinner

Winston Represented Precision Aviation Group in \$400M Single-Asset Continuation Fund Raise with GenNx360 Capital Partners

Brightwood Loan Services US\$41.5M Credit Facility for Cartridge Technologies, LLC

Camelot Communications, Ltd. acquired by PMG Worldwide

Revelstoke Capital Partners Strategic Minority Investment From Bonaccord Capital Partners

Torrey Partners's Sale to Stifel Financial Corp.

Culper Capital Partners's Acquisition of Ring Precision Components, New Vision Industries, and Dieco to form The Product Group

Recognitions

- *Crain's New York Business*—Notable Leaders in Accounting, Consulting & Law (2024)
- *The Legal 500 US*—Recognized for Private Equity (2013–2024), as a “Leading Individual” (2024), and for M&A/Corporate and Commercial: M&A Middle-Market (2024)
- *Lawdragon*—Listed among the “500 Leading Dealmakers in America” for Private Equity (2022–2025)
- *New York Law Journal*—Selected as a “Rising Star” (2013)
- *M&A Advisor*—Listed as a “40 Under 40 Legal Advisor” (2013)
- *Super Lawyers*—Recognized for NY Metro

Activities

Brad is a member of Winston's Executive Committee, the Law360 Private Equity Editorial Advisory Board, and the Law.com Contributor Network. He is also on the Board of MENTOR Newark and is the Chairman of the Board of the SI Sandy Relief Fund.

Credentials

EDUCATION

Brad received his J.D. from Emory University and his B.A. from Binghamton University.

ADMISSIONS

- New York

Related Insights & News

Publications and Speaking Engagements

- Panelist, “GP Solutions,” Columbia Business School’s Private Equity Club, March 6, 2025
- Panelist, “Raising a Fund 101 - Transitioning from Independent Sponsor to Emerging Manager,” iGlobal Forum’s 16th Independent Sponsors Summit & Awards, February 7, 2024.
- Moderator, “Private Equity: Adapting to an Increasingly Competitive Environment,” The 2022 Deal Economy: Predictions and Perspectives Conference, June 2, 2022.
- “Risks and Challenges of Direct Investing,” Fall Forum for Private Investors, October 2012.
- “Risk Mitigation Strategies for Direct Investments in Private Companies,” Family Office Association Summer Global Summit, July 2012.
- “Protecting Your Firm From Antitrust Suits,” (co-author), *Buyouts*, February 2007.
- “Denying ‘No Reliance’ Clauses: How to Apply the Delaware Ruling in the ABRY-Providence Equality Partners Case,” (co-author), *The Deal*, March 2006.
- “Rolling the Dice; Reverse Break-Up Fees and Financing Outs—Will Private Equity Sponsors of Leveraged Public-to-Private Deals Continue to Absorb More of the Closing Risk?” (co-author), *New York Journal*, November 2005.

PRESS RELEASE

Winston & Strawn Adds Transactions Partner Stanislav Kalminsky in Los Angeles

MARCH 31, 2025

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Brad Vaiana Speaks at the 18th Annual iGlobal Forum Independent Sponsors Summit

MARCH 4, 2025

PRESS RELEASE

Winston & Strawn Continues Expansion in Miami with the Addition of Juan M. Delgado

JANUARY 7, 2025

BLOG

Winston for Good Supports Under-Resourced NYC Students

DECEMBER 18, 2024

RECOGNITIONS

Jeffrey Kessler and Brad Vaiana Named Among *Crain’s New York Business*’ 2024 Notable Leaders in Accounting, Consulting & Law
DECEMBER 10, 2024

IN THE MEDIA

Transactions Department Co-Chairs Timothy Kincaid and Brad Vaiana Featured in *ALM’s “How I Made It”* Series
DECEMBER 2, 2024

SPONSORSHIP

Winston Sponsors iGlobal Forum’s Secondaries Investing Summit
NOVEMBER 20, 2024

RECOGNITIONS

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

PRESS RELEASE

Winston & Strawn Adds New York Tax Partner James Saeli
OCTOBER 21, 2024

SPONSORSHIP

Winston Sponsors MENTOR Newark’s Annual Fundraiser
SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

SEMINAR/CLE

Female Founders & Funders
SEPTEMBER 25, 2024

PRESS RELEASE

Winston & Strawn Adds Tax Partner Louis J. Jenull in Dallas
SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

Capabilities

Transactions	Private Equity	Mergers & Acquisitions	Private Investment Funds
Financial Services	Media & Entertainment	Insurance	