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Emerging Companies and Venture Capital

Our Emerging Companies and Venture Capital Practice Group consists of a dedicated team of attorneys providing focused representation to entrepreneurs, public and private emerging growth companies and the venture capital funds, angel investors and investment banks that finance them.

We represent technology and other high-growth enterprises in various industries, including biotechnology, digital media, environmental, information technology, medical devices, software and telecommunications, and regularly advise them on entity formation and development, founder and shareholder agreements, seed-stage and late-stage funding, executive compensation and benefits, stock option and other equity-based compensation arrangements, licensing and other technology transfer transactions, mergers and acquisitions and other strategic transactions.

We also advise venture capital firms on fund formation and administration, and represent venture capital funds and angel investors in the negotiation of various stages of equity, debt and convertible funding transactions and the planning and implementation of exit strategies.

Our professional relationships are a valuable resource for our technology and emerging company clients. We have relationships with venture capital firms, private equity firms, angel investors, investment banks and other capital sources, several of whom have invested in our clients. We also have relationships with all of Long Island's universities, major laboratories and other research institutions, including Cold Spring Harbor Labs, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Stony Brook University, Farmingdale State University, Hofstra University, the Feinstein Institute and Winthrop-University Hospital. We are actively involved in numerous technology organizations and institutions, including Accelerate Long Island, the Center of Excellence in Wireless and Information Technology, the Long Island Software and Technology Network, the Long Island Forum for Technology, the Long Island Technology Hall of Fame, the New York State Governor's Innovation and Industry Work Group, the Association for Corporate Growth and COMETS.

We have assumed leadership roles in significant initiatives to build a robust innovation ecosystem on Long Island and promote the commercialization of Long Island-originated technology. Our attorneys have also taken active roles in advocating for private and public capital markets reform, including through public speaking and publication in various media, with the goal of making it easier for emerging companies to raise capital in the private markets and ultimately go public.