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Representative transactions include:

- numerous early and late stage preferred stock financing transactions on behalf of venture capital funds;
- the issuance and sale of preferred and common stock by emerging growth companies to venture capital and strategic investors
- the acquisition of an auto body repair shop business by a private equity firm;
- the acquisition of an aircraft parts manufacturer by a hedge fund;
- the recapitalization of a furniture manufacturer on behalf of a private equity sponsor; and
- various other non-financing transactions and agreements for company clients, including licensing agreements, distribution and supply agreements, and manufacturing agreements.

Mr. Lee earned his B.A. with honors in Political Science at Stanford University in 1988 and his J.D. in 1994 at the University of Kansas School of Law, where he was Editor-in-Chief of the *Kansas Journal of Law & Public Policy*. Prior to attending law school, Mr. Lee served on the legislative staff of U.S. Senator Bob Dole in Washington, D.C. (1988-91).

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