

# Jay Nixon

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From small companies needing big-picture advice, to publicly traded corporations involved in transformative transactions, Jay Nixon offers clients a down-to-earth, personal approach and a wealth of experience. Clients value Jay's ability to understand their needs and respond with timely and practical counsel.

Healthcare organizations, manufacturers, technology companies and others seek Jay's assistance in areas such as:

- Mergers and acquisitions
- Securities offerings and compliance
- Corporate governance
- Private equity transactions
- Joint venture transactions

Boards of directors and board committees rely on Jay for strategic advice and counsel regarding corporate and securities issues, including acquisitions, offerings, governance, public company disclosure and periodic reporting requirements, Section 16 compliance, insider trading and strategic analysis.

### EXPERIENCE

- Represented FHP in corporate and securities matters related to the company's formation and initial sale of common stock.
- Represented a start-up REIT in its first transaction involving the purchase of six properties and the simultaneous leaseback of those properties to affiliates.
- Represent Surgery Partners in connection with Securities and Exchange Commission reporting, Nasdaq listing compliance, corporate governance and equity incentive compensation.
- Served as lead transaction counsel to Custom Packaging.
- Served as lead transaction counsel to Acadia Healthcare its acquisition of Whittier Pavilion.

- Represented HRT in a series of transactions, including two public equity offerings and the acquisition of eight medical office buildings.
- Served as lead transaction counsel to Quality Industries.
- Represented the intellectual and developmental disabilities services provider in the acquisition of another IDD provider in Tennessee, which involved a unique and complex licensing process.
- Served as lead counsel to Edgenet in the acquisition.
- Advised DigiChart, Inc. in its acquisition by a subsidiary of a publicly traded Canadian company.
- Advised Acadia Healthcare Company, Inc. in its \$2.4 billion acquisition of Priory Group, the largest independent provider of psychiatric services in the United Kingdom.
- Advised Change Healthcare, a healthcare cost transparency and consumer engagement company, in its sale to Emdeon.
- Represented Acadia Healthcare in its \$1.3 billion acquisition of CRC Health Group, a leading provider of treatment services related to substance abuse and other addiction and behavioral disorder.

## EDUCATION

- J.D., *magna cum laude*, University of Tennessee, 1995
  - Order of the Coif
  - Research Editor - Tennessee Law Review
- B.A., *cum laude*, Wake Forest University, 1992

## BAR ADMISSIONS

- Tennessee

## RECOGNITIONS

### Chambers USA

- Corporate/M&A category (Tennessee), 2011-2019

### The Best Lawyers in America<sup>®</sup> (Woodward/White Inc.)

- Commercial Transactions / UCC Law, 2015-2020

## PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

- Member, Nashville, Tennessee and American Bar Associations
- Member, Business Law Section of the Tennessee Bar Association
- Member, Business Law and Health Law Sections of the American Bar Association
- Member, American Health Lawyers Association

