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Eric is a partner in Cooley's UK emerging companies and venture capital practice. He advises high-growth technology companies and their investors on private financings, M&A and strategic and corporate governance matters.

Eric regularly advises leading US and European venture capital investors – including Accel, Andreessen Horowitz (a16z), Cherry Ventures, EQT Ventures, firstminute capital, Founders Fund, General Catalyst, Institutional Venture Partners (IVP), Lightspeed Venture Partners, LocalGlobe, Northzone, QED Investors, 20VC and many others – on their investments in technology companies.

Eric also represents private technology companies at all stages, from inception through to sale/initial public offering, and in a range of sectors, with a particular focus on artificial intelligence (AI) and fintech companies.

Eric's recent company-side experience includes advising:

- **Swap**, the global ecommerce platform, on its \$100 million Series C financing led by DST Global and ICONIQ, \$40 million Series B financing led by ICONIQ, and \$9 million Series A financing led by QED Investors
- **Codat**, the fintech company that develops data insights and financial integrations, on its \$100 million Series C financing led by J.P. Morgan and \$40 million Series B financing led by Tiger Global
- **Synthesia**, the generative AI video creation software developer, on its \$90 million Series C financing led by Accel, \$50 million Series B financing led by Kleiner Perkins and GV, and \$12.5 million Series A financing led by FirstMark
- **Stable**, the index-based commodity hedging solutions provider, on its \$60 million Series B financing led by Acrew Capital and \$6.5 million Series A financing led by Greycroft
- **Red Sift**, the cybersecurity company, on its \$54 million Series B financing led by Highland Europe
- **VEED**, the AI video creation platform, on its \$35 million Series A financing led by Sequoia Capital
- **Electric Twin**, the developer of synthetic audience AI models, on its \$10 million seed financing led by Atomico and \$4 million pre-seed financing led by LocalGlobe
- **Portia AI**, the developer of Rezonant, the AI layer for product management, on its £4.5 million seed financing led by General Catalyst and firstminute capital

Before joining Cooley, Eric worked as an investment principal at a London-based venture capital firm, where he originated investment opportunities, negotiated and executed new and follow-on investments, and monitored and supported the firm's portfolio companies.

Eric trained as a solicitor at a London-based international law firm before joining the London corporate team of a multinational Magic Circle firm. He earned a Master of Business Administration from BPP University, completed his legal studies at BPP Law School and received a bachelor's degree in international relations from the University of Sussex.

Education

BPP University MBA, 2013

BPP Law School Legal Practice Course, 2011

BPP Law School Graduate Diploma in Law, 2010

University of Sussex BA, International Relations, with honours, 2008

Admissions & Credentials

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