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Nick focuses on securities litigation, corporate governance and shareholder-related disputes, including cases related to the defense of securities class actions, derivative suits, and mergers & acquisitions. He also represents clients in connection with Securities and Exchange Commission investigations and civil enforcement actions, as well as internal corporate investigations.

Nick's representative matters have involved top technology, private equity, healthcare and financial services firms in their most challenging securities, derivative, and M&A-related cases.

Nick's representative matters include:

Securities litigation

- The Honest Company in a securities class action arising out of its 2021 initial public offering
- The former directors of Qualcomm in a securities class action alleging Qualcomm made misstatements that it licensed its standard-essential patents on a nondiscriminatory basis to the cellular industry
- A Chinese technology company in multiple securities litigations following stock price drops in late 2020*
- An insurance company in securities and derivative litigations stemming from the underwriting of an insurance policy to a physician staffing firm*

M&A litigation

- Everbridge in its 2024 acquisition by Thoma Bravo
- A private equity firm in its 2023 acquisition of a real estate investment trust*
- A multinational technology company in connection with its 2023 acquisition of a video game company and 2021 acquisition of a healthcare software company*
- A multinational banking and financial services corporation in its 2023 acquisition of a boutique investment bank*
- A global private equity firm in its 2023 acquisition of an aggregator of real property interests underlying telecommunications cell sites and other digital infrastructure assets*
- A global private equity firm in M&A litigation concerning Dell's 2018 public re-listing transaction*

Special purpose acquisition company (SPAC) litigation

- A healthcare technology company in connection with seminal Delaware Court of Chancery litigation for its 2020 deSPAC business combination*
- A client in connection with closely watched federal Investment Company Act litigation*

** Representation handled prior to joining Cooley*

Before joining Cooley, Nick was an associate at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett in its Palo Alto and Century City offices.

During law school, Nick served as a legal intern in the Division of Enforcement at the Securities and Exchange Commission's San Francisco Regional Office. Nick also served as an articles editor in the Michigan Technology Law Review, and he worked as a research assistant to law professor Gabriel Rauterberg on issues concerning Delaware corporate law.

Education

University of Michigan Law School JD, 2020

Middlebury College BA, History, summa cum laude, 2015

Admissions & Credentials

California