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Sale works with emerging companies in all stages and industries, advising on company formations, venture financings, M&A, joint ventures and other strategic and corporate governance matters. He focuses on building long-term relationships, typically partnering with startups from the very beginning and providing legal and strategic advice along their shared journey toward success. Sale also advises venture capital funds and global corporations on venture investments and complex strategic transactions. In the earlier part of his career, he advised companies and underwriters on initial public offerings, follow-on offerings and other capital markets transactions and assisted public companies with their US Securities and Exchange Commission reporting and compliance work.

Legal 500 US has recognized Sale as a Next Generation Partner in Venture Capital and Emerging Companies since 2021. He frequently speaks on various topics related to startups and venture capital.

Sale is fluent in Korean and actively involved in various South Korean organizations in the startup and venture ecosystem.

Sale's current and former representations include:

- 180 Studios
- ACVC Partners
- AIM Intelligent Machines
- Alsop Louie Partners
- American Lending Center
- ANAFLASH
- Andreessen Horowitz
- Argus Systems
- Asia2G Capital
- Asleep
- Banyan Infrastructure
- CapitalG
- Centaurus Therapeutics
- Cogniac
- Controlrooms

- CoreStory (fka Crowdbotics)
- CTK USA Holdings
- DFJ Growth
- Dragon Global Partners
- EOFlow
- Genvax Technologies
- Green Eight Capital
- GS Futures
- Hanwha Asset Management
- Higgsfield
- Higher Life Ventures
- Homestory
- HOYA Corporation
- igniteXL Ventures
- Invent Analytics
- Jetson
- Korea Investment Corporation
- Korea Investment Partners
- LevitasBio
- LFX Ventures
- Lightspeed Venture Partners
- Maverick Ventures
- Millennium New Horizons
- MIMCHIK
- Mitsubishi Corporation
- Naver Corporation
- NCSOFT
- NOVAWAVE
- nullify
- NVIDIA Corporation
- Pathwater
- Premier Partners
- PWWentures
- Radical Numerics
- Ramen Networks
- RegCell
- RLWRD
- Samsung Venture Investment Corporation
- Sandlot Partners
- Soulbrain
- StartX
- SuperSend
- SVEXA
- TC Lab
- Thai Oil/TOP Ventures
- unseen
- Vanilla Technologies
- Vinci4D
- Wheeler Bio

Sale served as a captain in the Republic of Korea Army Judge Advocate General's Corps and represented South Korea in various defense procurement deals.

While in law school, he completed an externship with Judge Vaughn R. Walker of the US District Court for the Northern District of California.

Education

Stanford Law School JD, 2008

Stanford University MA, 2005

Stanford University BA, 2004

Admissions & Credentials

California

Rankings & Accolades

Legal 500 US: Next Generation Partner for Venture Capital and Emerging Companies (2021 – present)

Memberships & Affiliations

American Bar Association (ABA)