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Scott Bennett focuses his practice on capital markets and other financing transactions, mergers and acquisitions, board advisory matters and general corporate matters. Mr. Bennett advises clients across a broad range of industries encompassing traditional areas and emerging technologies. He has notable experience counseling venture capital-backed companies and investors in the technology, fintech, digital assets and renewables spaces. His practice also includes numerous clients in the shipping, transportation, energy and pharmaceutical sectors.

Mr. Bennett's notable matters include:

- IPOs and other initial public listing transactions for companies such as Alcon, Bitdeer, GasLog Partners, Global Brass and Copper, GrafTech International, Jose Cuervo, Radius Global Infrastructure, Robinhood and Symetra Financial

- Other equity and debt offerings for companies such as Alcoa, Alcon, Cencora, Cornerstone Chemical, Costamare, GasLog, GasLog Partners, Hain Celestial, Hess Midstream, Marathon Oil, Marathon Petroleum, MPLX, Phillips 66, Qualcomm, Sherwin-Williams and Weyerhaeuser
- Pre-IPO venture financings such as Quibi's \$750 million Series C private financing and Robinhood's \$3.4 billion private placement of convertible notes and warrants
- Representing companies and investors in the blockchain and digital assets space, including Bitdeer on SEC issues related to its \$1.18 billion SPAC combination with Blue Safari, eToro on SEC issues related to its proposed \$10.4 billion SPAC combination with FinTech V, Robinhood in its \$2.2 billion IPO and its \$3.4 billion private placement of convertible notes and warrants, Silvergate in its wind-down of operations and voluntary liquidation of Silvergate Bank and Art Blocks in connection with a SAFE financing round
- Representing investors in venture capital transactions including Brevan Howard Digital in connection with a variety of investments in digital asset and blockchain companies (including investments in Super Turbo, Time.fun and Starlight Tech) and Bristol Myers Squibb in connection with a variety of investments in biotechnology companies (including investments in Asher Bio, COUR Pharmaceuticals and Q32 Bio)
- Mergers and acquisitions transactions such as GasLog's take-private transaction with BlackRock's Global Energy & Power Infrastructure Fund and its subsequent acquisition of GasLog Partners, Jose Cuervo's \$205 million acquisition of Pendleton Whisky from Hood River Distillers and Star Bulk's \$2.1 billion combination with Eagle Bulk Shipping
- Spin-offs for Novartis (Alcon), Time Warner (AOL) and WestRock (Ingevity) and the split-off by Weyerhaeuser of Weyerhaeuser Real Estate Company (WRECO) in connection with WRECO's merger with a subsidiary of TRI Pointe Homes

Mr. Bennett is Co-Head of the Venture Capital & Growth Equity Practice. He is a frequent speaker and author on a range of legal topics pertaining to capital markets, finance and emerging companies, as well as developments in the areas of fintech and digital assets.

Mr. Bennett was named a "Dealmaker of the Year" by *The American Lawyer*, "Lawyer of the Year" for Corporate Law by *The Best Lawyers in America* and a "Rising Star" by *Law360*. He has been repeatedly recognized for his work in the capital markets arena by *The Legal 500 US*, *The Legal 500 Latin America* and *IFLR1000*, among others. Additionally, Mr. Bennett has been recognized for his work in the fintech sector by *The Legal 500 US* and his work in corporate law by *The Best Lawyers in America*, and he has been named one of the "500 Leading Dealmakers in America" by *Lawdragon*.

Mr. Bennett was born in Sarasota, Florida. He received a B.A. in Economics from Duke University in 2002. Mr. Bennett received a J.D. with High Honors from Emory University School of Law in 2006, where he was the First Honor Graduate (*i.e.*, valedictorian) and a member of the *Law Journal*.

Mr. Bennett joined Cravath in 2006 and was elected a partner in 2013.

## EDUCATION

- J.D., 2006, Emory University School of Law
- B.A., 2002, Duke University

## ADMITTED IN

- New York

## RANKINGS

### *The American Lawyer*

- Dealmaker of the Year (2020)

### *Best Lawyers in America*

- Corporate Law (2025-2022)
- Corporate Law: Lawyer of the Year – New York City (2025)

### *IFLR1000*

- Banking - US (2024-2016)
- Capital Markets - US (2024-2016)

### *Law360*

- Rising Star: Capital Markets (2018)

### *Lawdragon*

- 500 Leading Dealmakers in America (2024-2021)

### *The Legal 500 Latin America*

- Capital Markets – Latin America: International Firms (2017, 2016, 2015)
- Corporate and M&A – Latin America: International Firms (2017, 2016)

### *The Legal 500 US*

- Capital Markets: Debt Offerings (2024-2020, 2016, 2014)
- Capital Markets: Equity Offerings (2024-2017, 2015, 2014)
- Capital Markets: Global Offerings (2022-2017, 2014)
- Capital Markets: High-Yield Debt Offerings (2024, 2023, 2015)
- Fintech (2024-2019)

- Technology Transactions (2016)
- Telecoms and Broadcast: Transactions (2018)

*Super Lawyers* - Rising Stars - New York

- Securities & Corporate Finance (2017, 2016)