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Nicholas A. Dorsey focuses his practice on representing corporate issuers and borrowers, and financial institutions, lenders and other parties, in public and private offerings of securities, loan transactions and other financing transactions. He also represents companies in mergers and acquisitions and regularly advises clients in connection with public disclosure and corporate matters. He is Co-Head of the Venture Capital & Growth Equity Practice, where he dedicates significant time to providing commercial and strategic advice to startup, early-stage and founder-led companies and investors in such companies. Clients regularly seek his counsel for the practical, commercial advice he offers with respect to their most challenging matters.

In addition to traditional capital markets offerings and banking transactions, Mr. Dorsey's financing practice includes advising on liability management transactions, asset- and royalty-based financings and securitizations.

He has extensive cross-border experience and counts multiple international companies and financial institutions among his diverse client base.

Notable work highlights include:

- IPOs, direct listings, SPAC combinations and spin-offs for companies such as Alliant Techsystems (ATK), Cano Health, Climate Transition Capital Acquisition I, Costamare, DRI Healthcare Trust, On, Palantir, SciPlay, Swvl, Vaxxinity, Vista Outdoor and Younited
- Public and private equity financings for companies such as Akorn, Beacon Roofing Supply, Credit Suisse, DRI Healthcare Trust, Forterra, Hewlett Packard Enterprise, Oddity, Orcosa, PG&E, PNC, Replimune and Swvl
- Investor representations such as DMGT in the \$8.1 billion business combination of Cazoo and AJAX I SPAC; Prosus in its \$500 million PIPE investment in connection with Churchill II SPAC's \$1.5 billion merger with Skillsoft and acquisition of Global Knowledge; Richemont in its \$1.1 billion PIPE investment in Farfetch, in partnership with Alibaba; Shaolin Capital Management in its \$50 million PIPE investment in connection with the business combination of Bitcoin Depot and GSR II Meteora Acquisition Corp.; a large investor in connection with the \$5.1 billion IPO of Lineage; DRI Capital and its affiliates in multiple matters, including equity investments and acquisitions of traditional and synthetic royalty interests; and a variety of venture capital firms, corporate venture capital departments and angel investors in investments of all sizes
- Debt offerings for companies such as Beacon Roofing Supply, CBRE, Chemours, Corteva, Credit Acceptance, Credit Suisse, Disney, Expedia, Graham Holdings, Hewlett Packard Enterprise, HP, Lazard, Navistar, Nestlé, Occidental Petroleum, Outbrain, Parker-Hannifin, PG&E and Sherwin-Williams
- Banking and credit transactions for companies such as Bay Club, Beacon Roofing Supply, Centene, The Collective, Outbrain, PG&E, RedHill Biopharma and WiLine Networks
- Accounts-receivable financings, securitizations and other structured financings for companies such as Citibank Credit Card Issuance Trust, Corteva, Crown Castle, Drug Royalty, Ferroglobe, INEOS, Martin Marietta, Mylan, Occidental Petroleum, Olin, RedHill Biopharma and US Foods
- PG&E's tri-tranche offering, which represents the largest utility public equity offering in history, as well as the arrangement of its Debtor-in-Possession ("DIP") financing and other advisory matters relating to its chapter 11 proceedings

Mr. Dorsey has been recognized for his work in capital markets by *Chambers USA*, *Chambers Global*, *The Legal 500 US*, *IFLR1000* and *Lawdragon*. He has been named to *Bloomberg Law's* "40 Under 40" list and was named the "Equity Capital Markets Lawyer of the Year" by *IFLR1000* in its United States Awards and a "Rising Star" by *Law360*, recognizing him as one of five outstanding capital markets lawyers in the nation under the age of 40. Mr. Dorsey's representations of the Founders of Palantir in the company's direct listing and PG&E in its \$5.5 billion

DIP financing have been featured as the “Equity Capital Markets Deal of the Year” and “Banking and Finance Deal of the Year,” respectively, by *IFLR1000*.

Mr. Dorsey is a frequent speaker and author on a range of finance topics. He has authored the U.S. Law & Practice chapter of the *Chambers Venture Capital Guide* and served as Contributing Editor of multiple editions of the *Chambers Acquisition Finance Guide*. In addition, Mr. Dorsey authored the “Special Considerations for Non-EU Issuers” chapter in the Third Edition of *European Securities Law* and co-authored an article entitled “SPAC Transactions in the United States” in *The Legal 500’s “Mergers & Acquisitions Country Comparative Guide.”* He has spoken at events such as the International Bar Association’s “From Start-Up to IPO,” “Global Entrepreneurship” and “Silicon Hills – the Tech Epicentre of Texas: from Start-Up to Exit” conferences, the Practising Law Institute’s “Institute on Securities Regulation” and TechGC’s First-Time GC Summit and Cornell Tech’s Board of Directors Forum.

Mr. Dorsey is a member of the International Bar Association and serves as the Entrepreneurship Conference Know-How Officer of the Closely Held Companies Committee.

Mr. Dorsey was born in Canton, Ohio. He received a B.S. and M.Acc. *summa cum laude* from Case Western Reserve University in 2006 and a J.D. *summa cum laude* from Cornell Law School in 2009, where he was a Notes Editor of the *Law Review* and was elected to the Order of the Coif.

Mr. Dorsey joined Cravath in 2009 and was elected a partner in 2017. He worked in the Firm’s London office from 2011 to 2013 and is currently based in the Firm’s New York office.

## EDUCATION

- J.D., 2009, Cornell Law School  
*Order of the Coif, summa cum laude*
- M.Acc., 2006, Case Western Reserve University  
*summa cum laude*
- B.S., 2006, Case Western Reserve University  
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## ADMITTED IN

- New York

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

International Bar Association

- Entrepreneurship Conference Know-How Officer, Closely Held Companies Committee

New York City Bar Association  
New York State Bar Association

## **RANKINGS**

### *Bloomberg Law*

- They've Got Next: The 40 Under 40 (2023)

### *Chambers Global*

- Capital Markets: Debt & Equity - USA (2025-2022)

### *Chambers USA*

- Capital Markets: Debt & Equity - Nationwide (2024-2021)

### *IFLR1000*

- Banking - US (2024-2021)
- Capital Markets - US (2024-2020)
- Equity Capital Markets Lawyer of the Year - US (2021)
- Mergers and Acquisitions - US (2020)

### *Law360*

- Rising Star: Capital Markets (2019)

### *Lawdragon*

- 500 Leading Dealmakers in America (2024)

### *The Legal 500 US*

- Capital Markets: Debt Offerings (2024-2019)
- Capital Markets: Equity Offerings (2024-2020)
- Capital Markets: Global Offerings (2024, 2023, 2022)