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The Firm: A leading transactional firm in Southern California, the Los Angeles office is well respected for its handling of private equity and corporate transactions. It often acts for clients in the media, communications and entertainment industries. Its client list is composed of public and private companies operating in a range of sectors, private equity funds and investment banks. Apollo, Credit Suisse, Microsoft and Total are among those instructing the firm.

Sources Say: "The individuals we work with are extremely bright and are practical in finding solutions to problems. The firm does a fantastic job in private equity representations and we recommend them without hesitation."

Key Individuals: "Incredibly skilled lawyer" Michael Woronoff heads the West Coast transactional practice. "He is very quick on the uptake, understands transactions, is easy to work with and understands the business side of a deal - what you are trying to accomplish," say clients. He advises private investment funds and their portfolio companies in M&A transactions, as well as working on deals for public and private companies. Monica Shilling was the lead attorney on the firm's recent representation of long-term client Ares Capital Corporation in its acquisition of Allied Capital. The up-and-coming M&A and securities lawyer is "very successful and pleasant to work with," according to sources.