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Sarah Stasny is the head of Proskauer's Private Equity Transactions Group – US. With over two decades of private equity experience, Sarah's practice focuses on advising private equity sponsors and portfolio companies through the full range of M&A and equity financing transactions. Whether it's navigating competitive auctions, negotiating shareholder governance, or structuring a seamless sell-side process, Sarah provides practical, thoughtful guidance that helps clients move forward with confidence.

Widely regarded as one of top private equity M&A lawyers in the US, Sarah has a track record of building industry-leading teams known for their excellence and reliability. Many of the world's most prestigious private equity firms turn to Sarah for her deep understanding of the private equity landscape, shaped by years of experience across a broad spectrum of sponsor clients and investors. From fundraising to deployment, she delivers seamless support for clients at the highest levels and in the most demanding environments.

Sarah has been recognized by *Chambers USA* and *The Legal 500* in the private equity buyouts area. In 2022, Sarah was featured as one of *Lawdragon's* "500 Leading Dealmakers in America" and shortlisted for *Euromoney's* The Americas Women in Business Law Award.

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Recent experience includes advising:*

- **Alpine Midstream Holdings**, a portfolio company of Beach Point Capital Management and MSD Capital, in its sale to Salt Creek Midstream NGL
- **Brighton Park Capital** in:
  - its growth investment in HITRUST
  - its investment in TickPick
  - its investment in PortSwigger
  - its growth investment in Storyblok
  - its growth investment in LucidLink
  - its strategic growth investment in DataVisor
  - alongside other investors, in its investment in Coralogix
  - alongside other investors, in its investment in AppViewX
  - the acquisition of a minority interest in Darktrace
  - its investment in TheMathCompany
  - its follow-on investment in Paradox
  - its investment in RStudio
  - alongside other investors, in its investment in Reltio
  - alongside other investors, in its investment in Impartner
  - its growth investments in XSOLIS
  - alongside The Carlyle Group, in its acquisition of a minority stake in Indegene
  - alongside other investors, in its investment in NuORDER
  - its growth investment in OPSWAT, Inc.

- its acquisition of a majority stake in RocketReach
- its investment in SheerID

- **Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec** in:
  - its acquisition of a significant stake in ICR
  - its major investment in Allied Universal
  - its acquisition, together with Brookfield Business Solutions, of the Power Solutions business from Johnson Controls International

- **CareFinders Total Care** in its sale to ModivCare Inc.
- **Carrier Ventures** in its investment in Archilogic
- **Charlesbank Capital Partners** and **Neptune Retail Solutions** in Neptune's all-cash take-private acquisition of Quotient Technology
- **EQT Infrastructure** in its acquisition of Eagle Railcar Services and Lazer Logistics; and in Lazer Logistics' acquisition of Hirschbach Motor Lines' spotting operations
- **KKR**, as lead investor, in a strategic investment round in Skydance Media
- **Kohlberg & Co.** in:
  - its acquisition of Myers EPS from Graham Partners
  - alongside Mubadala Investment Company, in its acquisition of a majority stake in PCI Pharma Services from Partners Group

- **KPS Capital Partners** in its acquisition of IKG from Harsco Corporation
- **Newport Global Advisors** and **Uno Restaurant Holdings Corporation** in the sale of Uno Foods, its frozen foods manufacturing business, to Great Kitchens Food Company
- **NuORDER** in its sale to Lightspeed
- **Onnit** in its sale to Unilever
- **Roark Capital Group** in:
  - acquisition of Dave's Hot Chicken

- the merger of equals of its two portfolio companies, Self Esteem Brands and Orangetheory Fitness
- its acquisition of Subway
- alongside its affiliate, Youth Enrichment Brands, in YEB's acquisition of Streamline Brands
- its minority investment in PartsTown
- its acquisition of Asset Living
- its acquisition of Mathnasium
- its investment in Divisions Maintenance Group
- the acquisition of International Car Wash Group by Driven Brands
- its acquisition of Nothing Bundt Cakes
- its acquisition of the ServiceMaster Brands businesses from ServiceMaster Global Holdings and ServiceMaster's subsequent acquisition of Two Men and a Truck and Aftermath
- its investment in The Cheesecake Factory Incorporated
- its investment in US Sports Camps

- **TPG** and **Hony Capital**, as major shareholders of STX Filmworks, in the merger of equals between STX Entertainment and Eros International Plc
- **TPG Growth** in its minority investment in Ideal Image
- **TPG's The Rise Fund** in its minority-preferred investment in LIVEKINDLY

Other representative engagements have included:*

- **Altas Partners** in its acquisitions of Capital Visions Services, the University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences and St. George's University; and its investment in HUB International
- **American Securities** in its acquisitions of HHI Holdings, Metaldyne and Specialty Care

- **Avista Capital Partners** in its acquisitions of INC Research, Kendle International, Top-Co and ZEST Anchors; and its acquisition of BioReliance Holdings
- **Cascade** in its follow-on acquisition of TerraTherm
- **CCMP Capital Advisors** and its portfolio company Milacron in Milacron's follow-on acquisition of Mold-Masters Limited
- **Centerbridge Partners** in its substantial minority investment in Syncreon Holdings
- **Direct ChassisLink, Inc. (DCLI)** in its acquisition of TRAC Intermodal's fleet of domestic chassis and related customer and hosting contracts with railroads and intermodal shipping companies
- **EQT Infrastructure** in its acquisitions of Osmose Utilities Services and WASH Multifamily Laundry Systems; and its sale of Restaurant Technologies
- **FeraDyne** in its follow-on acquisition of Field Logic
- **HM Capital Partners** in its acquisition of a 70% stake in Earthbound Farm
- **Kainos Capital** in its sale of Earthbound Farm to The WhiteWave Foods Company
- **Nortek** in its acquisitions of the heating, ventilation and cooling products business
- **OMERS Private Equity** in its acquisitions of The Kenan Advantage Group, United States Infrastructure Corp. and Document Technologies Holdings
- **Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan** in its acquisitions of Heartland Dental Care and PhyMed Management
- **Pharm-Olam International** in Quad-C Management, Inc.'s investment in Pharm-Olam
- **Providence Equity Partners** in its investment in The Chernin Group and as part of an investor group in the acquisition of Q9 Networks
- **Snow Phipps Group** in its acquisitions of Cascade Environmental Holdings, FeraDyne Outdoors, Kele, Inc. and Teasdale Foods

- **Trilantic North America** in its acquisitions of Sunbelt Transformer and Taymax Group; and its investment in Asset Plus Companies
- **TRS Advisors** in its sale to Piper Sandler Companies
- **Two Sigma** in its investments in Capital Automotive Financial, Great Rock Capital, Starz Real Estate and Wings Capital Partners
- **York Capital Management** in its acquisition of Mode Transportation

*Prior firm experience.

Practices

Private Equity Transactions, Mergers & Acquisitions, Corporate/Transactional

Industries

Private Equity, Private Capital, Asset Management

Education

University of Texas School of Law, J.D.

University of Texas, Austin, B.A.

Admissions & Qualifications

New York

Awards & Recognition

Chambers USA: Private Equity: Buyouts

The Legal 500: Corporate: Mergers & Acquisitions: Private Equity

Lawdragon “500 Leading Dealmakers in America” 2022

M&A Advisor “40 Under 40” list of top M&A 2015

Texas Super Lawyer: M&A: “Rising Star” 2012