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Stephen T. Mears is a partner in the Corporate Department and co-head of the Private Funds Group. He concentrates on private investment funds, including venture capital, growth equity and buyout funds. He represents fund sponsors in all aspects of fund formation, operation and management, including fund structuring, portfolio investments, sales and distributions, internal governance and management, regulatory compliance and ongoing maintenance and administration. Stephen also represents institutional investors in connection with their participation in private investment funds.

Stephen has recently represented sponsors in raising funds ranging in size from under \$100 million to over \$2.5 billion. Representative clients include:

- GenCap America
- General Catalyst Partners
- New Enterprise Associates
- Sterling Partners
- Thrive Capital Partners

Practices

Private Funds, Investment Management

Industries

Private Equity, Asset Management

Market Solutions

Corporate Governance

Education

Boston College Law School, J.D., 1991

summa cum laude

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Boston College, B.S., 1988

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Admissions & Qualifications

Massachusetts

Awards & Recognition

Chambers USA: Massachusetts: Private Equity: Fund Formation 2008-2019

Chambers USA: Nationwide: Investment Funds: Venture Capital: Fund Formation
2016-2019

Best Lawyers in America 2013-2020

The Legal 500 United States: Investment Fund Formation & Management - Private
Equity Funds 2015, 2017-2019

Massachusetts Super Lawyers 2010-2018

New England Super Lawyers 2007-2009