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Overview

Christopher has diverse experience representing top-tier leveraged buyout and private equity funds, fund sponsors and investors, and their portfolio companies. He advises clients on corporate matters, including mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, venture capital and private equity financings, joint ventures, and other investment transactions with an emphasis on middle-market transactions.

Chris represents financial sponsors and their portfolio companies, as well as strategic buyers in connection with mergers and acquisitions, leveraged buyouts, recapitalizations, growth equity financings, and other investment transactions.

Prior to joining Benesch, Chris practiced at Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP (now known as HSF Kramer) in New York.

**Matter completed prior to joining Benesch.*

Representative Matters

- Represented Clarendon Capital in its acquisition of O'Donnell Metal Deck & Bar Joist (OMD), a leading value-added distributor of metal decking, steel bar joists, and related structural products serving the commercial construction industry.
- Represented Cobalt Service Partners in the acquisition of NC Sound, a North Carolina-based systems integrator specializing in technical integration services.

- Represented private equity firm Wellspring Capital Management LLC in the $285 million acquisition of Critical Nurse Staffing, LLC, a home healthcare service provider, and certain of its affiliates.
- Represented Smartlink, LLC, a nationwide provider of telecommunications infrastructure services, in the sale of all of its equity to Recognize.
- Represented WeShip Express, a business-to-consumer shipper of wine, beer, and spirits, in its acquisition of Eagle Rock Fulfillment.
- Represented Revelar Capital in its acquisition of Lettermen's Energy.
- Represented Revelar Capital in its acquisition of CNS Cares.
- Represented Alpine Investors and its portfolio company Mosaic Service Partners on multiple add-on acquisitions.

Credentials

EDUCATION

- Fordham University School of Law, J.D.
  - External Affairs Editor, *Intellectual Property, Media and Entertainment Law Journal*
- The Ohio State University, M.S., Mechanical Engineering
- Miami University, B.S., Mechanical Engineering, *magna cum laude*

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- Ohio
- New York

Awards & Recognition

- Listed, *The Best Lawyers in America®* Ones to Watch, Corporate Law, 2021-2025

News & Insights

- Benesch Represents Clarendon Capital in Acquisition of O'Donnell Metal Deck & Bar Joist
  July 17, 2026 | Press Releases
- Benesch Advised Cobalt Service Partners on Acquisition of North Carolina Sound
  July 13, 2026 | Press Releases

- Benesch Represents Imperative Logistics in Acquisition of Jose D. Gonzalez, CHB
  June 24, 2026 | Press Releases
- Benesch Advises Mosaic Service Partners on Acquisition of Clarity Windows & Doors
  May 13, 2026 | Press Releases
- Benesch Advises Sports Facilities Companies on Acquisition of Power Wellness
  May 13, 2026 | Press Releases
- Benesch Represents Alpine Investors-backed Cobalt Service Partners in Acquisition of LEK Technology Group.
  March 20, 2026 | Press Releases
- Benesch Represents Allstates WorldCargo in the Acquisition of EliteXPO's Business Operations
  March 20, 2026 | Press Releases
- Thought Leader Wrap-Up | Fifth Annual Investing in the Transportation & Logistics Industry Conference
  January 5, 2026 | Client Alerts & Insights
- 132 Benesch Attorneys Recognized in 2025 Best Lawyers® Rankings
  August 14, 2024 | Press Releases
- Best Lawyers in America® Rankings 2024
  August 17, 2023 | Press Releases

Speaking & Events

PAST EVENTS

- Fifth Annual Benesch Investing in the Transportation & Logistics Industry Conference
  December 4, 2025 | Firm Events
- Inside the Sell-Side Process: Strategy, Storytelling, and Getting the Deal Done | Christopher D. Hopkins
  September 18, 2025 | Speaking Engagement
- Merger & Acquisition Panel | Christopher D. Hopkins
  March 2, 2025 - March 4, 2025 | Speaking Engagement
- Third Annual Benesch Investing in the Transportation & Logistics Industry Conference
  December 7, 2023 | Firm Events
- De-risking the Deal Panel Discussion | Christopher D. Hopkins
  September 22, 2022 | Speaking Engagement