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Overview

Peter is an Associate in Benesch's corporate practice group and focuses his practice on representing private equity sponsors and their portfolio companies, as well as public and privately held companies, in a wide range of complex corporate transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, leveraged buyouts, add-on acquisitions, and other strategic transactions across diverse industries. He also advises privately held companies on general corporate and transactional matters, including restructurings, corporate governance, and general day-to-day corporate law matters.

Prior to joining Benesch, Peter externed for the Hon. Judge J. Philip Calabrese at the United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio, gaining significant experience in performing various legal research and writing tasks, including authoring draft judicial opinions. Peter also served as an extern in the Criminal Division of the United States Attorney's Office, drafting substantive trial briefs, motions, and memorandums on behalf of the U.S. government, as well as assisting federal prosecutors and the Cleveland FBI with trial and witness preparation.

Peter earned his law degree, *Magna Cum Laude*, from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law and is licensed to practice in Ohio and Florida.

Representative Matters

- Represented Gridiron Capital and its portfolio company, M&D Distributors, a leading distributor and remanufacturer of after-market diesel engine parts in multiple add-on acquisitions.

- Represented Alpine Investors and its portfolio company, Cobalt Service Partners, a commercial access and security solutions platform in multiple add-on acquisitions.
- Represented private equity sponsored platform of roof replacement, repair and other exterior home services in its acquisition of a Texas-based roofing and residential home services provider.
- Represented Allstates WorldCargo, a leading provider of customized, expedited domestic logistics solutions and a portfolio company of Clarendon Capital, in its acquisition of EliteXPO, a Chicago based tradeshow logistics company specializing in end to end support for exhibitors.
- Represented Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., LPA, in its strategic acquisition of Nathan & Nathan, P.C., a Southeast-based law firm.
- Represented Weltman, Weinberg, & Reis, Co., LPA, an Ohio based law firm, in its strategic acquisition of Hodges, Avrutis, & Foeller, a creditors rights and collections law firm based in Sarasota, Florida.
- Represented Madison Concept Tool, LLC, an affiliate of Royer Corporation, in its acquisition of Concept Tool & Engineering, Inc., a leading distributor of machine tools, metrology equipment, and additive manufacturing equipment.
- Represented Kenan Advantage Group, the largest tank truck transporter and logistics provider in North America, in its acquisition of Xcel Bulk Logistics, a dry bulk transportation and logistics company based in Texas, from Lilium Group.

Credentials

EDUCATION

- Cleveland State University College of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*
- John Carroll University, Boler College of Business, BSBA, Finance
  - Boler College of Business Ambassador

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- Ohio
- Florida

News & Insights

- Benesch Represents Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., LPA in its Strategic Acquisition of Nathan & Nathan, P.C., a Southeast-Based Creditors Rights Law Firm
  August 21, 2026 | Press Releases
- Benesch Represents Allstates WorldCargo in the Acquisition of EliteXPO's Business Operations
  March 20, 2026 | Press Releases