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Christopher Shannon represents private equity funds, hedge funds, proprietary trading firms and broker-dealers in a broad range of transactional and corporate matters.

Advising on acquisitions, investments and financings

Chris advises both public and private companies in complex transactions including M&A, divestitures, leveraged buyouts, private equity and venture capital investments, recapitalizations and private financings. He also guides clients through complex transactions involving broker-dealers and proprietary trading firms.

In addition to his transactional work, Chris provides general corporate counseling on matters including executive compensation and equity-incentive arrangements.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- *Super Lawyers Rising Stars*
 - Illinois, 2008–2010
- *The Legal 500 United States*
 - Recommended Attorney, 2024

News

- Katten Advises Monarq Asset Management in Strategic Investment From FalconX (June 6, 2025)
- Katten Team Advises Thora Capital on Acquisition by ITE Management (April 8, 2025)
- Katten Represents NinjaTrader in \$1.5 Billion Sale (March 21, 2025)
- Katten Highly Ranked in Legal 500 United States 2024 (June 12, 2024)
- Cboe Global Markets Company Closes Its Acquisition of Katten Client ErisX (May 4, 2022)

Practices

- Broker-Dealer Regulation
- Cryptoassets and Blockchain Technology
- Financial Markets and Funds
- Investment Management and Trading
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Private Equity
- Proprietary Trading Firms
- Quantitative and Algorithmic Trading

Industries

- Finance and Financial Markets
- Manufacturing and Industrials Private Equity

Education

- JD, The University of Chicago Law School
- BA, Salve Regina University

Bar Admissions

- Illinois

Community Involvements

- American Bar Association
- American Red Cross, Auxiliary Board
- E-Council for the Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship

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- Coronavirus (COVID-19) Resource Center (November 10, 2021)
- Katten Represents ErisX in Its Acquisition by Cboe Global Markets (October 21, 2021)
- Katten Team Represents Headlands Tech Holdings in Broker-Deal Transaction (March 23, 2021)
- Katten Represents Global Trading Systems in BNP Paribas Deal (December 12, 2017)
- Katten Represents Gerchen Keller Capital in Acquisition by Burford Capital Limited (December 14, 2016)
- Katten Names 12 New Partners in Five Practice Areas (June 1, 2012)

Publications

- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 41 (August 2025)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 40 (July 2025)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 39 (June 2025)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 38 (April 2025)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 37 (April 2025)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 36 (March 2025)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 35 (February 2025)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 33 (December 2024)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 32 (November 12, 2024)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 31 (October 2024)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 30 (September 12, 2024)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 29 (August 2024)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 28 (July 2024)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 27 (June 2024)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 26 (May 2024)
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- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 23 (February 2024)

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- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 19 (October 2023)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 18 (September 2023)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 17 (August 2023)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 14 (May 30, 2023)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 13 (April 25, 2023)
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- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 9 (December 13, 2022)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 8 (November 14, 2022)
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- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 6 (September 15, 2022)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 5 (August 16, 2022)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 4 (July 19, 2022)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 3 (June 14, 2022)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 2 (May 11, 2022)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 1 (April 13, 2022)
- Going Direct – The Factors Driving Direct Investment Strategies and the Barriers to Adoption (July 26, 2021)
- LIBOR Preparedness Exams Are Coming – Is Your Firm Ready? (June 6, 2020)
- SEC Enforcement Actions Against Fund Advisers Continues (May 15, 2020)

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- New York Proposes New Rules to Modernize Securities Filings Affecting Private Funds and Significant Exam and Registration Requirements on "Finders" (May 8, 2020)
- COVID-19: Considerations for Private Investment Fund Managers (March 17, 2020)
- [*Corporate & Financial Weekly Digest*](#) (Weekly) | [*Author*](#)