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In the fast-paced world of mergers and acquisitions (M&A), Tom Lamprecht uses his market knowledge to help clients resolve complex issues swiftly. He frequently advises private equity firms in platform acquisitions and exits. Public companies, family offices, independent sponsors and family-owned businesses also turn to him for his M&A experience, his knack for clear communication, his commercial approach and his responsiveness.

A "user-friendly" M&A attorney with a broad skill set

No matter the size of the transaction, mergers and acquisitions can be complicated. For family businesses and other clients that don't buy and sell companies every day, Tom distills technical details into plain English, providing a clear picture of the deal and its goals.

In addition to his M&A experience, Tom maintains a broad corporate practice, including family office investing, public company reporting obligations, SPACs, corporate governance, joint ventures and venture capital. As a former certified public accountant with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, he can work with the most sophisticated clients on technical accounting issues and financial arrangements.

Tom's responsiveness and ability to make deal terms easy for clients to understand makes him a "user-friendly" M&A attorney. Another quality that endears him to clients is the way he meets deadlines — even short ones. For a for-profit educator, he sold multiple schools located in different countries in just three months, demonstrating his ability to deliver in tight time frames.

He is also familiar with the unique dynamics that arise in the sale of family businesses, a factor that comes into play often in his deals. That not only helps him in representing family businesses, but also when representing counterparties like private equity sponsors. Sometimes, their mutual goal is to continue working together after the transaction, with family members in a management role. Whatever the vision for a specific deal, Tom's grounded approach allows both parties to walk away feeling positive about the experience and set up well for the future.

Practices

- Capital Markets
- Corporate Governance
- Independent Sponsors
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Private Equity
- Special Purpose Acquisition Company (SPAC)

Industries

- Education
- Entrepreneurial Ventures
- Family Offices

Education

- JD, Villanova University, *magna cum laude*
- BBA, University of Notre Dame, *magna cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- Illinois
- New York

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Tom began his career with an international law firm in New York.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- *Chambers USA*
 - Private Equity: Buyouts, 2026
- *The Legal 500 United States*
 - Recommended Attorney, 2023–2025

News

- Katten Climbs in *Chambers USA* 2026 Rankings (June 4, 2026)
- Katten Advises Vi Living in Sale to LCS (May 2026)
- Katten Team Represents Due North in Sale to AeriTek (September 11, 2025)
- Katten Receives High Marks in the Legal 500 US 2025 Guide (June 11, 2025)
- Katten Counsels Heartisan Foods in Sale to The Gellert Global Group (April 29, 2025)
- Katten Highly Ranked in Legal 500 United States 2024 (June 12, 2024)
- Katten Lauded in The Legal 500 United States 2023 (June 9, 2023)
- Katten Represents SMS Assist in Record-Setting Prop Tech M&A Deal (January 23, 2023)

Publications

- Four Things to Know About Family Office Compensation and Talent (July 17, 2023)

Presentations and Events

- Independent Sponsor Series: Success in a Challenging Environment (September 27–October 18, 2023)
- Family Office Compensation and Talent: 2023 Trends and Planning (March 1, 2023)
- Independent Sponsor Series: A Look Forward (May 26, 2021) | *Speaker*