

Maximillian Licona

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Maximillian Licona represents entrepreneurs, high-growth companies, venture capital investors and financial institutions in connection with a broad range of corporate and transactional matters, including venture capital financings, mergers and acquisitions, capital markets transactions, corporate governance and general company representation. He advises clients throughout the corporate lifecycle, from formation and early-stage financings to strategic transactions and public and private capital raises.

Max has significant experience representing venture capital funds and growth equity investors as lead investors in financings for high-growth technology companies. He also advises companies on equity and debt financings, corporate governance matters, and SEC compliance, including reporting obligations, Section 16 compliance, Rule 144 matters and stock exchange listing requirements.

Representative Experience

- Represented two venture capital funds as lead investors in an over $1.5 billion Series E financing of an AI cloud infrastructure company.
- Represented a healthcare technology company focused on behavioral health engagement in connection with multiple convertible note financings and general corporate governance matters.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in a $300 million Series C financing of a deep learning infrastructure company.
- Represented a fintech and crypto counterparty platform in various Series Seed and note financings, and general corporate governance matters.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in a $200 million Series C financing of an artificial intelligence developer platform company.

Practices

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Capital Markets
- Corporate
- Corporate Governance
- Financial Markets and Funds
- Investment Management and Trading
- Public Company Advisory

Industries

- Finance and Financial Markets
- Entrepreneurial Ventures

Education

- JD, The George Washington University Law School, *with honors*
- BA, University of Redlands

Bar Admissions

- California

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- Represented a foreign exchange trading platform in a Series A extension financing and general corporate governance matters.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in a $221 million Series C financing of a supply chain intelligence platform.
- Represented a real estate technology company in a Series B financing, with a corresponding rights offering, and general corporate governance matters.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in a $200 million Series F financing of a technology-based defense company.
- Represented spirits industry companies in equity and debt financings and general corporate governance matters.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in a $200 million Series C financing of a cloud computing hardware and software company.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in a $174 million Series C financing of a photonic computing and optical data transfer company.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in a $150 million Series D financing of a rocket and space transportation company.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in an $80 million Series B financing of a precision manufacturing technology company.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in an $80 million Series B financing of an enterprise AI and knowledge management company, along with a follow $15 million SAFE financing.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in a $70 million extension of the Series C round of a critical infrastructure robotics company.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in an $85 million extension of the Series D round of a quantum computing company.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in a $60 million Series C-2 financing of a satellite technology company.
- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in a $57 million extension of the Series E round of a technology-based defense company.

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- Represented a venture capital fund as lead investor in a $50 million Series A financing of a space services company.
- Represented a venture capital fund in a $30 million convertible note financing of a technology-based defense and AI company, subsequently converting into Series D-1 preferred stock and later as a co-lead investor in a follow-on $55 million Series D-2 financing.
- Represented a healthcare-focused investment fund in a $12 million Series A financing and a $11.1 million Series A-3 financing of a healthcare technology company focused on senior care analytics.
- Represented a proprietary trading firm as lead investor in a $12 million Series A financing of a designated contract market platform.

News

- Katten Represents Processa Pharmaceuticals in Acquisition of Vidya Therapeutics (July 29, 2026)
- Katten Advises Capstone Green Energy Holdings on $15 Million PIPE Financing (December 5, 2025)
- Katten Represents Underwriters in Preferred Stock Offering for Carlyle Credit Income Fund (November 7, 2025)
- Katten Represents Lucid Capital Markets as the Placement Agent in $75 Million At-The-Market Offering for Pearl Diver Credit Company, Inc. (September 22, 2025)
- Katten Represents SLR Investment Corp. in Launch of $150 Million At-the-Market Offering (April 3, 2025)
- Katten Represents Sales Agents in $150 Million At-the-Market Offering for Carlyle Secured Lending, Inc. (April 3, 2025)
- Katten Advises CleanSpark on $650 Million Convertible Senior Notes Offering (December 23, 2024)
- Katten Represents BlackRock in Series D Funding for Kairos Aerospace and Its Rebranding as Insight M (February 29, 2024)
- Katten is Representing Publicly-Traded Business Development Companies Managed by SLR Capital Partners, LLC in Merger (December 7, 2021)
- Katten's Industry Leading Corporate Practice Continues to Grow (September 14, 2021)

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Publications

- SEC Comment Period Ends for Controversial Proposal Regarding Clawbacks of Executive Incentive Compensation Without Official Action (December 22, 2021)
- *Capital Markets Compass* | Issue 2 (December 22, 2021)

Presentations and Events

- The Taste Economy (June 17, 2026)