



Timothy D. Kertland

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Timothy Kertland focuses on transactional, organizational and corporate matters for institutional and emerging proprietary trading firms, hedge funds, asset managers and other financial industry participants. Timothy has experience advising clients with respect to a wide range of transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, start-ups, fund and manager formation, seed deals, equity and debt financings, reorganizations, revenue shares, buyouts, spin-outs, and various types of employment, consulting and trading arrangements.

Assisting clients in understanding and reducing risk

Timothy assists clients to understand and reduce their legal and commercial risk when entering into business transactions and relationships, including through identifying and balancing disparate risks, implementing efficient structures and drafting comprehensive and commercial legal documents.

Timothy is a creative problem solver. He adapts his advice to the commercial context while giving clients a sense of what legal and business terms they should and should not expect to receive. He aims to always draft and negotiate legal documents that achieve his client's goals, are appropriate for the transaction and are responsive to his client's concerns.

While in law school, Timothy served as an editor of the *Virginia Tax Review*. As a first-year law student, he represented the University of Virginia School of Law at the National Transactional LawMeets Competition.

Prior to law school, Timothy worked at a start-up Internet company.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- *Best Lawyers in America*
 - Ones to Watch

Practices

- Broker-Dealer Regulation
- Corporate
- Cryptoassets and Blockchain Technology
- Financial Markets and Funds
- Futures and Derivatives
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Private Equity and Real Estate Fund Formation
- Proprietary Trading Firms

Industries

- Finance and Financial Markets

Education

- JD, University of Virginia School of Law
- BA, Calvin College

Bar Admissions

- Illinois
- Michigan

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- Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law, 2023–2026
- Mergers and Acquisitions Law, 2024–2026

News

- Katten's Rising Leaders Named to 2026 *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® List (August 21, 2025)
- Katten Advises Monarq Asset Management in Strategic Investment From FalconX (June 6, 2025)
- Katten Attorneys Recognized as *Best Lawyers*® and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® Award Recipients (August 15, 2024)
- Katten Attorneys Distinguished by *Best Lawyers*® (August 17, 2023)
- Katten Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers*® (August 18, 2022)
- Katten Represents Vivaldi Holdings in Joint Venture Combination With First Trust Capital Partners (December 2, 2021)
- Katten Promotes 16 Attorneys to Partner (July 7, 2021)
- Katten Advises Ekata Shareholders on Acquisition by Mastercard (June 16, 2021)
- Katten Represents Gerchen Keller Capital in Acquisition by Burford Capital Limited (December 14, 2016)

Publications

- Financial Markets and Funds Quick Take | Issue 10 (January 13, 2023)
- [Corporate & Financial Weekly Digest](#) (Weekly) | [Author](#)

Presentations and Events

- 2022 Crypto with Katten Annual Symposium (October 20, 2022)
- From A(lgorithm)–Q(uantitative):
What You Need to Know About Creating a Quantitative Asset
Manager (March 4, 2021) | *Speaker* | *Formation of the Manager*