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Paul Marquardt is a partner at Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton based in the Washington, D.C. office.

Mr. Marquardt's practice covers a broad range of domestic and international transactional matters, including private equity investments, mergers and acquisitions, and joint ventures. He regularly represents both private equity funds and corporate clients, and provides ongoing corporate advice to portfolio and joint venture companies following acquisitions. He also has experience in public and private international law and has represented a number of governments and international organizations in negotiations of international agreements.

Mr. Marquardt also has extensive experience in a number of regulatory areas relevant to cross-border transactions. He is a specialist in reviews by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS) and has represented clients in a number of high-profile matters. Mr. Marquardt regularly advises clients regarding the application of U.S. sanctions legislation and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, as well as export control matters, and he has experience in complex corporate governance and internal investigation matters.

Selected M&A transactions include advising OneWest Bank in its FDIC-assisted acquisitions of assets of La Jolla Bank, First Federal Bank of California, and IndyMac Bank; Nortel Networks in the sale of its intellectual property portfolio, its Multi Service Switch business, and its interest in Blade Technologies; VeriSign in the sale of its security consulting business to AT&T, its managed security services business to Secureworks, and its communications business to Transaction Network Services; TPG Capital in its acquisition of Vertafore; BBVA Compass in its FDIC-assisted acquisition of assets of Guaranty Bank; Kroll Bond Ratings in its acquisition of LACE Financial Corporation; and Deutsche Telekom in its investment in Devas Multimedia.

Recent CFIUS matters include Nortel's disposition of its GSM and CDMA equipment businesses; BHP Billiton's bid for Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan; TCI's proxy contest for representation on the board of CSX; Temasek's multi-billion dollar investment in Merrill Lynch; and Dow Chemical's proposed joint venture with Petrochemical Industries Company of Kuwait.

Mr. Marquardt is recognized as a leading corporate/M&A & private equity lawyer and a CFIUS expert by *Chambers USA*.

Mr. Marquardt joined the firm in 1995 and was elected partner in 2003. From 1998 to 2002, he was resident in the Brussels office. He received a J.D. and an M.A. in international relations from Yale University in 1994, where he was Book Reviews Editor of the *Yale Law Journal*, and an undergraduate degree, with highest distinction, from the University of Michigan in 1990. From 1994 to 1995, he served as law clerk to the Honorable James B. Loken of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.

Mr. Marquardt is a member of the District of Columbia Bar and the State Bar of Michigan. He is also a member of the American Bar Association and the American Society of International Law.

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