

START-UP AND EMERGING COMPANIES

We offer a comprehensive approach in representing start-up and emerging growth companies. Our legal services cover managing their formation, early stage financing, and related business transactions, including the protection of intellectual property. We guide early-stage companies through:

- Selection and formation of business entities, including corporations, limited-liability companies, partnerships, and joint ventures
- Design and preparation of shareholder agreements (including voting agreements, buy-sell agreements, and other critical shareholder arrangements)
- All aspects of early stage angel, venture capital, private equity, and institutional financing, including:
 - preparation of private placement memorandum and related documentation
 - negotiation and documentation of investment terms and definitive investment agreements, and assistance in dealing with venture capital funds and other financing sources
 - compliance with Federal and State securities laws
- Design and preparation of plans for equity-based compensation of employees and directors, including stock options, restricted stock, and stock appreciation rights
- Design and preparation of agreements relating to the development and protection of intellectual property

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