

# Akerman Corporate

Akerman is recognized by *U.S. News - Best Lawyers* as a leading U.S. law firm for Corporate, M&A, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity, Securities/Capital Markets, and Securities Regulation Law. In addition, the firm is top-ranked nationally for Mergers, Acquisitions and Buyouts: Middle Market by *The Legal 500* and is top-ranked in Florida by *Chambers USA* for Corporate/M&A. Akerman's Corporate Practice Group advises public and private companies, including private equity funds, on mergers & acquisitions, capital markets transactions, financings, and other transactional matters, with a strong focus on the middle market.

Senior members of the firm lead all transactions and remain actively engaged with our clients—providing pragmatic solutions and serving as a catalyst for launching, growing, and maintaining successful businesses.

## Practice Highlights

- Corporate lawyers in New York, Washington, D.C., and Florida, including former SEC staff attorneys and former in-house corporate counsels
- Counsel in connection with billions of dollars in mergers & acquisitions, private equity transactions, securities offerings, spin-offs, and other corporate transactions
- Recognized as the Florida market leader in M&A and private equity
- Issuer's counsel for largest IPO in Florida history valued at more than \$1.5 billion
- Represent middle market companies, including portfolio companies of private equity funds, in a broad range of contract, finance and transactional matters
- Represent strategic acquirors engaged in rapid industry consolidations
- Among the U.S. leaders in special purchase acquisition company IPOs and mergers
- Extensive experience with securities and stock exchange regulatory authorities
- Represent foreign companies in connection with establishing, developing, and managing their presence in the U.S., and acquisitions throughout Latin America for multinational companies

## Corporate Services

Banking, Lending & Structured Finance  
Capital Markets  
Corporate Governance  
Corporate Restructuring  
Cross-Border Transactions  
Cuba  
Emerging Companies  
Franchising & Licensing  
Fund Formation  
Latin America  
M&A and Private Equity  
Public Finance  
Sports  
Venture Capital

## About Akerman

With more than 650 lawyers and government affairs professionals and a network of 24 offices, Akerman is a leading transactions and trial law firm ranked among the top 100 law firms in the United States by *The American Lawyer* (2016). Our practice groups include:

Bankruptcy & Reorganization  
Consumer Financial Services  
Corporate  
Fraud & Recovery  
Government Affairs & Public Policy  
Healthcare  
Intellectual Property  
Labor & Employment  
Litigation  
Real Estate  
Tax

## Recognition

*"Akerman fields a 'seasoned, expert team that combines the experience found at larger firms with the responsiveness of a smaller, more agile firm." (The Legal 500)*

### **U.S. News - Best Lawyers:**

Recognized as a national tier one law firm for Corporate Law and Securities Regulation

**U.S. News - Best Lawyers:** Recognized in the national Mergers & Acquisitions, Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity, Securities/Capital Markets, International Trade and Finance, Antitrust, Franchise, Private Funds/Hedge Funds, and Venture Capital Law categories

**The Legal 500:** Recognized as a national tier one law firm for Mergers, Acquisitions and Buyouts: Middle Market

**Law360:** Ranked among the top 100 law firms for M&A

**Corporate Counsel magazine:** "Go To" law firm for corporate transactions/M&As

**Chambers USA:** #1 Corporate practice in Florida; recognized as market leader in Florida since 2003 for Mergers & Acquisitions and Private Equity

**Chambers Latin America:** The only U.S. law firm ranked for Cuba: Corporate/Commercial

