

Vedder Highlights

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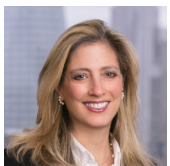
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New Shareholders

Jason DuVall, Finance & Transactions, Dallas

Jason DuVall has extensive experience in advising clients on corporate and commercial financial transactions, representing financial institutions, private equity funds, mezzanine funds, agents and other institutional investors. Mr. DuVall also focuses on matters relating to senior and subordinated debt, second lien financings and asset-based lending.

Hoyoon Nam Global Transportation Finance, New York and London

Hoyoon Nam has substantial experience in the maritime and transportation finance sector acting for owners and financing sources as well as private credit matters representing investment funds. Mr. Nam also advises clients on regulatory issues relevant to maritime financing transactions including the Jones Act, American Fisheries Act and vessel registry requirements.

Christopher Buch Executive Compensation & Employee Benefits, Chicago

Christopher Buch focuses on a variety of employee stock ownership (ESOP), executive compensation and employee benefits matters. A significant portion of his national practice focuses on ESOPs, representing plan sponsors, ESOP trustees, selling shareholders, ESOP committees, lending institutions, private equity firms and other fiduciaries in connection with all types of ESOP matters. Mr. Buch regularly speaks on ESOP matters and has authored or co-authored chapters on ESOPs in many national publications. He is a member of the ESOP Association's Public Policy Council, the National Center for Employee Ownership and the Employee Owned S Corporations of America.

Vedder Price Recognized in Chambers Global in 2024

Practice Group Rankings

Band 2:

Asset Finance – Global Market Leaders

Band 3:

Investment Funds: Registered Funds – USA

Band 4:

Aviation: Finance – Asia-Pacific Region

Attorney Rankings

Band 1:

Cathy Gonzales O’Kelly – Registered Funds (USA)

Band 2:

Marguerite C. Bateman – Registered Funds (USA)

Band 3:

Gavin Hill – Asset Finance (Global)

Jeffrey T. Veber – Asset Finance (Global)

Band 4:

Geoffrey R. Kass – Asset Finance (Global)

Renee M. Hardt – Registered Funds (USA)

Ji Woon Kim – Aviation: Finance (Asia-Pacific Region)

Band 5:

Amy Ward Pershkov – Registered Funds (USA)

Jeremy I. Senderowicz – Registered Funds (USA)

Deborah Biellicke Eades – Registered Funds (USA)

Recent Wins

Vedder Price Represents Vance Street in Secondary Transaction to Support Continued Growth of Jet Parts Engineering

Vedder Price served as legal advisor to Vance Street Capital LLC in a single-asset secondary transaction, and subsequent new Continuation Fund, to extend its partnership with Jet Parts Engineering (JPE).

The new fund, VSC EV (Extended Value) 3 LP, will focus on supporting the continuation of JPE’s organic growth initiatives and acquisition strategy. Founded in 1994 and headquartered in Seattle, JPE is a leading provider of proprietary, aftermarket PMA part, DER repair and MRO solutions for the commercial aerospace industry.

Key members of the Vedder Price advising team were President and CEO Michael A. Nemeroff, Shareholder Jason W. Reese and Associates Gregory Ge, Mel Kim and Sara L. Levine of the M&A team; Tax group Shareholder Matthew P. Larvick and Associate Rouzbeh “Robbie” Alipour; Shareholder Jacqueline Helmrick Carlson and Associate Bradley A. Hemmer of the firm’s Finance group; and Executive Compensation Shareholder Daniel B. Lange.

Vedder Price Represents L Squared Capital Partners In \$840 Million Fund Formation

Vedder Price served as legal advisor to L Squared Capital Partners in the closing of its fourth private equity fund for \$840 million.

The new fund, Fund IV, will focus on investing in L Squared’s core focus areas of education technology, tech-enabled services and software, and industrial technology and services.

The fund received strong support from existing L Squared investors, and was supplemented by several high-quality limited investors as well. Additionally, L Squared currently manages 10 platform investments across its three predecessor funds and plans to add eight to 10 new platform investments within the fourth fund.

Key members of the Vedder Price advising team were President and CEO Michael A. Nemeroff, Shareholders Cody J. Vitello and Matthew P. Larvick and Associate Laure Sguario.

Vedder Price Acts as Regulatory Counsel to Hellman & Friedman (H&F) in Its Strategic Investment in Baker Tilly

Vedder Price is acting as regulatory counsel to Hellman & Friedman (H&F) in its strategic investment in private equity-focused CPA firm Baker Tilly US, LLP, estimated to close in June 2024.

H&F, alongside Valeas Capital Partners (Valeas), will provide access to additional capital and capabilities to accelerate growth through further investments in talent, technology and strategic

Up and Coming:

John S. Marten – Registered Funds (USA)

Vedder Price Recognized in Thomson Reuters 2024 Illinois Super Lawyers

Super Lawyers

Anthony J. Ashley

Thomas P. Cimino, Jr.

Thomas R. Dee

Thomas P. Desmond

James V. Garvey

Ryan S. Hedges

Blaine C. Kimrey

Julie L. Langdon

Randall M. Lending

Michael R. Mulcahy

Michael A. Nemeroff

Jeanah Park

Robert S. Rigg

David M. Rownd

Chad A. Schiefelbein

Jordan A. Sigale

Patrick W. Spangler

Thomas M. Wilde

Junaid A. Zubairi

Rising Stars

Zachary R. Clark

Ellen M. Hemminger

Nusra Ismail

Katie A. Lee

Michael Leifman

Jonathon P. Reinisch

Mark C. Svalina

Alex C. Weinstein

Jake W. Wiesen

acquisitions in the professional services space, focused on mid-market CPA advisory services. As part of the transaction, the firm will be restructured into two entities: Baker Tilly Advisory Group, LP will provide the firm's business advisory, tax and other services, while Baker Tilly US, LLP, a separate legal entity and licensed CPA firm, will provide the firm's attest services. Following the restructuring, both firms will remain partnerships.

The Vedder Price team involved with this transaction is Shareholder Steven R. Berger and Associates "Joe" Dongye Zhou, Mel Kim and Alec Lybik.

Vedder Price Advises LeddarTech Inc. in Connection with Its Business Combination with Prospector Capital Corp.

Vedder Price acted as legal advisor to LeddarTech Inc. in connection with the completion of its business combination with Prospector Capital Corp., a special purpose acquisition company. Per DealFlow's *SPAC News*, the transaction "proved to be one of the fastest deals to reach completion in recent SPAC history."

Headquartered in Quebec City, Canada, LeddarTech develops and provides comprehensive AI-based low-level sensor fusion and perception software solutions that enable the deployment of ADAS, autonomous driving (AD) and parking applications.

The Vedder Price team was led by Shareholders John Blatchford and Kenneth A. Gerasimovich and Counsel Christopher G. Barrett. Additional team members included Shareholder Matthew P. Larvick and Associates Juliette M. Todd, Samuel Esclavon and Alexa Zelmanowicz.

Vedder Price Litigation Team Secures Court Victory in California Breach of Contract Dispute

A Vedder Price litigation team recently secured a notable victory when a San Francisco jury awarded nearly \$1 million in damages to its client in connection with a commercial lease dispute.

Vedder Price, led by Shareholder Michelle L. Landry, represented Pacific States Building, LP, which owns 445 Bush Street, in an action to recover past and future rent damages against a commercial tenant, iBelieveInSwordfish, Inc., which had vacated its space prior to the end of its lease term, claiming constructive eviction.

Vedder Price Wins Significant Superior Court of California Victory

Vedder Price won a recent bench trial victory in a complex commercial eviction case pending before the Siskiyou Superior Court. Vedder Price, led by Shareholder Michelle L. Landry, represented Miner's Inn LLC, a hotel owner, seeking to evict a hotel management company, Yreka Hospitality LLC, that was operating the Best Western Miner's Inn pursuant to a master lease. Yreka

Hospitality LLC refused to vacate the premises and turn over possession of the hotel following lease termination, claiming it had a purchase option which prohibited the use of California's summary eviction procedures.

Awards and Accolades

Dana Armagno, Michelle Olson and Shelby Parnes Named to *Crain's Chicago Business's* Notable Women in Law List

Vedder Price Operating Shareholder Dana S. Armagno and Shareholders Michelle T. Olson and Shelby E. Parnes were honored and recognized in *Crain's Chicago Business's* 2024 Notable Women in Law List.

Arianna Goodman Named in 2024 Best Lawyers Under 40 by *D Magazine*

Arianna Goodman, a Shareholder in Vedder Price's Government Investigations & White Collar Defense group in the firm's Dallas office, has been named to *D Magazine's* 2024 Best Lawyers Under 40 list.

Jason Reese Named to *Los Angeles Business Journal's* Leaders of Influence 2023: Thriving in Their 40s

For the second consecutive year, Jason W. Reese, Managing Shareholder of the Los Angeles office, was named to the *Los Angeles Business Journal's* Leaders of Influence 2023: Thriving in Their 40s annual list.

Jeanah Park Selected for *Law Bulletin Media's* 4th Annual Top Women in the Law: Women Leaning In Awards

Vedder Price Shareholder Jeanah Park was selected for inclusion in *Law Bulletin Media's* 4th Annual Awards Honoring Women In Law: Leaders Leaning In.

Vedder Price Receives *U.S. News & World Report* Recognition

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that it has been named to *U.S. News & World Report's* "2024 Best Companies to Work For: Law Firms" in its inaugural ratings of U.S. firms as places to work.

Vedder Price Singapore Distinguished by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2023*

The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2024 recognized Vedder Price Singapore in its Singapore Asset Finance: Foreign Firms Practice Group ranking. Shareholders Ji Woon Kim and Geoffrey R. Kass were also recognized as Editorially Recommended.

Vedder Price Selected for Inclusion in *International Employment Lawyer Guide*

Vedder Price was selected for inclusion in *International Employment Lawyer's* inaugural guide to the world's strongest employment law practices as a leading multijurisdictional firm.

Diversity & Inclusion and Pro Bono News

Anand Ramana Named Fellow of Leadership Council on Legal Diversity; Ariel Kelly and Amal Rafiq to Join Pathfinder Program

Vedder Price is pleased to announce that Shareholder Anand V. Ramana has been named to the 2024 class of Fellows of the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD).

Former Vedder Price LCLD Fellows include Candice T. Zee, Benjamin O. Williams, Venu V. Talanki, Jeanah Park, David M. Hernandez and Andrew Torre.

In addition, Ariel M. Kelly and Amal Rafiq were selected as members of the LCLD's 2024 class of Pathfinders.

Vedder Price Team Wins Significant Asylum Case for Pro Bono Client

Vedder Price secured a significant pro bono victory resulting in a U.S. Immigration Court judge in Chicago granting permanent asylum to one of the firm's pro bono clients.