

PRACTICE FOCUS

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**REPRESENTATIVE TRANSACTIONS**

Michael's considerable expertise includes having represented the following public and privately held companies and private equity firms:

- > The J. M. Smucker Company in numerous merger and acquisition transactions including the acquisition of the Folgers coffee business from Procter & Gamble through a Reverse Morris Trust transaction valued at over \$3 billion dollars, the acquisitions of Rowland Coffee Roasters and Eagle Family Foods and the divestiture of the Hungry Jack dehydrated potato product line.
- > Linsalata Capital Partners and its portfolio companies in numerous transactions including its acquisition of Spartan Foods of America, a leading manufacturer and distributor of shelf-stable pizza crusts, frozen pancakes, frozen pizzas and related products; its acquisition of Manhattan Beachwear, a leading supplier of women's swimwear and beachwear; its acquisition of NeuroTherm, Inc., a leading developer, manufacturer and provider of medical products and services used primarily in international pain management, and its sale of Transtar, a distributor of remanufactured automotive aftermarket products.
- > National City Equity Partners in numerous mezzanine debt and equity investment transactions including Savage Sports, Arrow Tru-Line, Abrisa Industrial Glass, Snyder Industries, Cumming Group, Altech Inspections, CPC/Moss Holdings, Olon Industries, Titan Fitness and UMA Enterprises.
- > Babson Capital (MassMutual) in numerous mezzanine debt and equity investment transactions including Arrow Tru-Line, Torrent Resources, Megtec Systems, Fowler and Clough Harbour.
- > Signal Peak Energy, LLC and Wayne M. Boich in establishing a joint venture with FirstEnergy Ventures that acquired the Bull Mountain coal mining operation in the State of Montana.
- > Software developer Axentis, Inc. in the sale of assets and stock of its Indian subsidiary to CCH Incorporated/Wolters Kluwer International.
- > KeyBank and its affiliated companies in several transactions including acquiring the primary and master servicing of commercial mortgage loan business from ORIX Capital Markets, and the origination, underwriting, financing, selling, securitizing, processing and servicing of multifamily, long-term care and commercial property mortgage business of Malone Mortgage Company.
- > Evolution Capital Partners and its portfolio companies in several transactions including the acquisition of American Eagle Mortgage Corp. and American Eagle Mortgage Escrow Corp., an Ohio based mortgage broker and escrow services business and its sale of Innerpac, a manufacturer and distributor of specialty and die-cut partitions and layer pads, to Rock-Tenn.