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Orange County

Maricel P. Montano is Of Counsel in the Orange County office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher and is a member of the firm's Mergers and Acquisitions, Capital Markets, Emerging Companies and Securities Regulation and Corporate Governance Practice Groups.

She advises public and private companies on merger transactions, stock and asset sales and investments in a wide variety of industries, including technology, life sciences, hospitality, media and consumer/retail. Maricel also represents issuers and underwriters in connection with registered and privately placed equity and debt offerings. She also advises public and private companies with respect to corporate law matters.

In 2014 and 2016 through 2020, Maricel was named a Southern California Rising Star by Super Lawyers Magazine. Most recently, she was recognized as a *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America*™ in Corporate Governance and Compliance Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities/Capital Markets Law and Securities Regulation.

Maricel is currently a member of the firm's Diversity Committee and she was previously a member of the firm's Associates Committee.

Some of her representative transactions include:

Mergers and Acquisitions

- MoonLake Immunotherapeutics – \$230 million business combination with Helix Acquisition Corp
- Fluor Corporation - \$1.9 billion business combination of NuScale Power, LLC with Spring Valley Acquisition Corp.
- Represented a European manufacturer of medical devices in acquisitions of operating companies and investments in the U.S.
- Represented a U.S. medical technology company in a series of investments in the U.S.
- MGM Resorts International – acquisition of Empire City Casino and Racetrack in New York for \$850 million
- MGM Resorts International – acquisition of the Hard Rock Rocksino in Ohio for \$1.06 billion
- Encore Group – sales of private companies
- Matson, Inc. – acquisition of Span Intermediate, LLC
- Riverbed Technology, Inc. – acquisition of a private company and sale of a business unit
- Vivendi SA – sale and redemption of its majority stake in Activision Blizzard



Capabilities

Mergers and Acquisitions
Capital Markets
Emerging Companies / Venture Capital
Life Sciences
Royalty Finance
Securities Regulation and Corporate Governance

Credentials

Education

University of Southern California - 2010
Juris Doctor
University of California - Berkeley - 2005
Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

California Bar

- Aurora Capital Group – sale of ADCO Global, Inc.
- Dole Food Company – sale of its worldwide packaged foods and Asia fresh produce businesses to ITOCHU Corporation
- St. Jude Medical, Inc. – acquisition of Nanostim, Inc.

Capital Markets

- Landsea Homes Corporation – resale registration statement following de-SPAC transaction.
- Wells Fargo & Company and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. – public offerings of senior notes and preferred stock (counsel to the underwriters)
- STAAR Surgical Company – public offering of common stock (counsel to the issuer)
- T-Mobile USA, Inc. – public offerings of senior notes (counsel to the issuer)
- Hewlett Packard Company – tender offer and redemption of notes (counsel to the issuer)
- Wolverine World Wide, Inc. – Rule 144A offering of senior notes (counsel to the issuer)
- Rubicon Project, Inc. – initial public offering (counsel to the issuer)
- Century Communities, Inc. – initial public offering and Rule 144A offering of senior notes (counsel to the underwriters)

Other Representative Matters and Transactions

- Representation of Ultragenyx Pharmaceutical in its sale of a portion North American royalty rights to Crysivita for \$500 million
- Representation of lead investors in preferred stock investments
- Representation of family investment management companies with respect to Section 16 filings and Schedule 13D filings
- United Way Silicon Valley – merger with United Way of the Bay Area

Education

Maricel earned her Juris Doctor in 2010 from the University of Southern California, where she was a Senior Editor of the *Southern California Law Review* and a Teaching Fellow for the Legal Writing and Advocacy Program. She graduated from the University of California, Berkeley in 2005 with a B.A. in Economics, with high honors.

She is currently admitted to practice law in the State of California.

Publication

Note, *Can Widening the Scope of Information Reporting to Include Income Derived From Online Sales Help to Narrow the Expanding Tax Gap?*, 83 S. Cal. L. Rev. 379 (2010)

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