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# Webcast: The Art of the Spin-off

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Public companies have for many years used the spin-off as a technique for transferring a business unit that is no longer a good strategic fit with the businesses they wish to retain. Although there have been relatively few spin-offs since the pandemic began, this tool is likely to receive renewed attention as the economy emerges from the pandemic and companies reconfigure their businesses.

This webcast reviews the principal issues that management teams and their advisors are likely to confront when they structure a spin-off transaction, including corporate, tax, capital markets, intellectual property and employee benefits matters. It will focus on the latest techniques for solving the problems that most frequently arise in each of these areas.

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