



Dilen Kumar

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Dilen Kumar has extensive experience representing private equity firms and public and private companies in mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, carve-outs, investment transactions and general corporate governance matters. He has represented clients across numerous industries, from health care and technology to energy, and consumer goods.

A leader on diversity and a commitment to giving back

Dilen is a recognized leader on diversity, equity, and inclusion matters in the legal profession in Texas. He previously served as co-chair of the Texas Minority Counsel Program, an affiliate of the State Bar of Texas that seeks to increase opportunities for diverse attorneys in Texas. He is a graduate of the Dallas Regional Chamber of Commerce's prestigious Leadership Dallas program and has served on the boards of numerous charitable and civic organizations in Dallas.

Dilen was the youngest attorney recognized as part of *Texas Lawyer's* 20 Extraordinary Minorities in Texas Law in 2015.

Prior to his career in private practice, Dilen served in the Obama Administration as an Assistant Counsel in the White House Counsel's Office.

Representative Experience

- Represented one of the world's largest industry-focused private equity firms in numerous acquisitions and divestitures in the software and technology industries.*
- Represented an industry-focused, middle-market private equity team in acquiring a leading provider of specialty welding and other turnaround services to the oil and gas refinery, petrochemical and industrial markets.*
- Represented an iconic luxury retailer in its sale as part of its restructuring efforts in the US Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York.*

Practices

- Corporate
- Corporate Governance
- Health Care
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Private Equity

Industries

- Energy
- Hospitality
- Manufacturing and Industrials Private Equity
- Technology

Education

- JD, Columbia Law School
- BA, The University of Texas at Austin

Bar Admissions

- Texas

Community Involvements

- Dallas Bar Association
- Dallas South Asian Bar Association
- Gen Next
- Leadership Dallas
- Texas Minority Counsel Program

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- Advised an NYSE-listed oil and gas exploration and production company in its \$500 million joint venture with an undisclosed private equity sponsor to acquire minerals in the Permian Basin.*
- Represented a leading international marine fuel logistics company with approximately \$900 million of funded indebtedness in connection with the corporate and M&A aspects of its Chapter 11 cases in the US Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. The restructuring was approved by the court and consummated within five months of filing.*
- Represented one of the largest North American coal producers and certain of its affiliates in connection with the sale of certain of its mining operations as part of its Chapter 11 proceedings before the US Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas.*
- Advised a private equity firm in numerous acquisitions and divestitures in the food and beverage industry.*
- Counseled a private equity firm in acquiring a medical device manufacturer.*
- Represented a private equity firm in its acquisition of an electric generator maintenance company.*
- Advised a NASDAQ-listed SPAC in its business combination transaction in the industrial sector.*
- Counseled a private equity firm in its sale of a health care technology company to a strategic buyer.*
- Represented a private equity firm in its sale of a midstream portfolio company to another private equity fund.*
- Advised the parent company of an international airline in the airline's \$18 billion merger with a competitor.*
- Represented the parent of a family entertainment center/restaurant chain in its \$1.3 billion take-private.*
- Advised a supplier of retail electricity in its \$1.2 billion sale of a renewable energy supplier to one of Canada's largest pension funds. Also represented client in its \$3.3 billion sale and related reorganization of its portfolio of electric generating plants in Texas, the Mid-Atlantic and New England.*
- Represented a North American energy infrastructure company in its \$38 billion acquisition of an owner/operator of one of the largest natural gas transmission systems in North America.*

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- Counseled a NYSE-listed oil and gas exploration and production company in multibillion-dollar acquisitions of assets in the Permian Basin.*
- Advised a private equity fund in its sale of a team sports apparel and equipment company to a strategic buyer.*

*Experience prior to Katten

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- *D Magazine*
 - Best Lawyers in Dallas, 2018, 2020–2024
 - Best Lawyers in Dallas Under 40, 2018–2022
- Dallas Business Journal
 - 40 Under 40, 2022
- South Asian Bar Association
 - Fellowship Institute, 2023
- *Super Lawyers Rising Stars*
 - Texas, 2014–2023
- *Texas Lawyer*
 - Extraordinary Minorities in Texas Law, 2015

News

- Katten Represents POWER Engineers, Incorporated in Sale to WSP Global Inc. (August 13, 2024)
- Katten Attorneys Tapped to Participate in Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Career Development Programs (April 29, 2024)
- *D Magazine* Features 13 Dallas Partners as 2024 Best Lawyers (April 24, 2024)
- Katten Advises Peak Mining in Purchase of 300MW Mining Data Center Site (January 16, 2024)
- *D Magazine* Recognizes 12 Dallas Partners on 2023 Best Lawyers List (April 27, 2023)
- *Texas Lawbook* Reflects on Five Years of Katten in Dallas in Q&A With Mark Solomon (April 14, 2023)

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- Katten Attorneys Selected for 2023 Super Lawyers Texas Rising Stars List (March 27, 2023)
- Dilen Kumar Chosen for South Asian Bar Association's 2023 Fellowship Class (December 7, 2022)
- Katten Attorneys Recognized by 2022 Texas *Super Lawyers* (September 23, 2022)
- Dilen Kumar Honored on *Dallas Business Journal's* "40 Under 40" List (July 29, 2022)
- Dallas Attorneys Recognized in *D Magazine's* 2022 Best Lawyers List (April 22, 2022)
- Katten Attorneys Named to 2022 Super Lawyers Texas Rising Stars List (March 29, 2022)
- *D Magazine* Names Dilen Kumar to 2022 'Best Lawyers Under 40' List (December 30, 2021)
- Katten's Industry Leading Corporate Practice Continues to Grow (September 14, 2021)
- Dilen Kumar Explains to *Law360* How White House Stint Added Depth to M&A Practice (September 13, 2021)
- Growing Dallas Office and New M&A Partner Featured by *Texas Lawyer* (September 8, 2021)
- *Texas Lawbook* Features Q&A with Dallas 'Dealmaker' and New M&A Partner Dilen Kumar (September 8, 2021)
- Katten Dallas Office Builds on Highly Regarded M&A Practice With New Partner Dilen Kumar (September 7, 2021)