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Samantha Horn is a partner in the Mergers & Acquisitions and Private Equity Groups. Her practice focuses primarily on mergers and acquisitions and private equity and venture capital financing, including investments and buy-outs, as well as fund formation activities. Samantha is a member of the Management Committee in the Toronto office and formerly served as Co-Head of the Mergers & Acquisitions and Private Equity Groups.

Samantha received the Women's Executive Network's Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 Award in the "Hall of Fame" category in 2017 and the "KPMG Professionals" category three times (2014, 2015 and 2016), recognizing her significant impact to the legal profession and her leadership role within the firm. Her efforts toward the promotion of the advancement of women in law have contributed to the firm receiving the *Profiles in Diversity Journal's* Award of Excellence.

Accolades

- *Chambers Canada 2020* as a Band 1 ranked lawyer in Private Equity: Buyouts.
- *Chambers Global 2019* as a leading lawyer in Private Equity: Buyouts.
- *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory 2019* as a leading lawyer in Corporate Commercial Law, Corporate Mid-Market, Corporate Finance and Securities, Mergers and Acquisitions, and Private Equity.
- *The 2019 Lexpert/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada* in Corporate Commercial and Corporate Mid-Market.
- *The Best Lawyers in Canada 2020* in Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity, Mergers & Acquisitions, and Private Funds.
- *Who's Who Legal: Canada 2017* in Private Funds.
- *Who's Who Legal: Private Funds - Formation 2018*.
- *2016 Expert Guides: Private Equity*.
- *Lexpert 2019 Guide to the Leading US/Canada Cross-Border Lawyers in Canada* in the area of Mergers & Acquisitions.
- *Lexpert/ROB Special Edition: Canada's Leading Corporate Lawyers*, May 2019.

Representative Work

- OMERS Private Equity in its acquisitions of Give & Go Prepared Foods, Maxxam Analytics, CBI Group of Companies, Marketwired L.P. and in its disposition of Maxxam to Bureau Veritas and of Marketwired to Nasdaq.
- Carters, Havas North America, HD Supply, Berry Plastics and other U.S. companies in reorganizations, cross border acquisitions and dispositions and various matters.
- Quickplay Media in various financings, acquisitions and in its disposition to Madison Dearborn and its subsequent disposition to AT&T.
- Primus Telecommunications in its restructuring and sale under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*.
- XPV Water Partners in various investments.
- Lumira Capital in various investments.
- CAI Funds in connection with fund formations and various acquisitions and disposition.
- Various investment funds in Mexico, Peru and Brazil in respect of their formation in Canada and in certain cases offerings to Canadian investors.

Publications

- "Top 10 Issues to Consider in Creating a Private Equity Fund", Stikeman Elliott client publication.

Legal Posts

The following posts are available on Stikeman.com:

- [Developments in gender diversity on Canadian boards](#)
- [Working capital adjustments: Ensuring that the price is really right](#)
- ["Due Diligence" as a Defence to Directors' and Officers' Liabilities](#)
- [Earnout Trends: One Small Step for Good Faith, A Few Minor Tweaks for Earnouts?](#)

Speaking Engagements

- "The Annotated Shareholder Agreement", Law Society of Ontario, Toronto, September 2018 (chair).
- Spotlight on Board Diversity, Stikeman Elliott CLE Seminar, January 2017, (co-moderator).
- Deal Trends Seminars for Canadian Women in Private Equity and the Canadian Venture Capital Association, 2016 and 2017.
- "The Annotated Shareholders Agreement" Law Society's LSUC conference, September 2014, (chair, moderator and speaker).

Professional Activities

Samantha is a fellow of the American Bar Foundation and is a past Chair of the Private Equity and Venture Capital Committee of the American Bar Association's Business Law Section. She served on the Council of the ABA's Business Law Section from 2010 to 2013. Samantha is also a founding and executive member of the Canadian Women in Private Equity committee of the CVCA and a member of the Women in Capital Markets and Women's Association of Venture and Equity, a U.S. organization, along with various other associations.

Samantha is a frequent speaker on various panels, including with the American Bar Association at their annual and spring Business Law Section meetings.

Background

During the time she was an associate, Samantha was seconded for a short period of time to Working Ventures Canadian Fund Inc., a labour-sponsored venture capital fund, as an investment analyst.

Samantha is a member of the Halton Healthcare Board of Directors overseeing \$3.4B in capital projects including the construction of the new Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital, the new expansion of Milton District Hospital, as well as construction on Georgetown Hospital.

Education

Queen's University (LL.B. 1991)

Queen's University (B.A. Economics 1988)

Bar Admission

Ontario, 1993