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Aaron Gafni represents clients in a wide variety of corporate and transactional matters, ranging from entity formation and structuring to equity financings, joint ventures and mergers and acquisitions.

Aaron advises entrepreneurs, start-ups and middle market companies across a broad range of business sectors, including technology and digital media, sports and entertainment, food and beverage and branded consumer products.

He has particular experience representing growth companies in the technology and digital media space, often working with such clients from initial formation to successful exits. Founders rely on Aaron's experience with convertible note and preferred stock financings, equity incentive plans, corporate governance, day-to-day transactional matters and mergers and acquisitions. Aaron's involvement in the tech community extends to the other side of the table, where he represents angel investors and venture capital funds with respect to fund formation and portfolio investments. Aaron also spearheaded the Firm's sponsorship of Venice start-up accelerator Amplify.la and pre-accelerator Startup Boost (an affiliate of TechStars).

Awards

- Southern California Super Lawyers Rising Stars, 2018

Bar Admissions

- California

Education

- University of California, Los Angeles (J.D., 2007)
- University of California, Santa Barbara (B.A., 2002)
 - Global and International Studies Major
 - Japanese Minor

Representative Matters

- Served as lead corporate counsel on the \$2 billion sale of the Los Angeles Clippers franchise to Steve Ballmer.
- Represented VR studio RYOT in the sale of its business to AOL/Huffington Post.
- Represents a hydration-focused drink brand in its Series A financing, other debt and equity financings and general corporate matters.
- Represents venture-backed mobile content studio in day-to-day corporate matters.
- Represented well-known women's denim company in an equity financing transaction with a major venture capital investor.
- Represents national fast-casual restaurant chain in its tender offer transaction and ongoing corporate matters.
- Represents LA-based venture capital fund Stage Venture Partners with respect to fund formation and portfolio investments.
- Represents women's subscription box company in its seed financing, debt financing and general corporate matters.
- Represented aerospace supply chain company in the sale of its business to a publicly traded company.
- Represented an online video game developer in its Series B and Series C financings, as well as multiple buy-side acquisitions.
- Represents Oscar De La Hoya in various corporate matters relating to the Golden Boy boxing promotions business.
- Represents a multinational food products company in connection with brand acquisitions, joint ventures and day-to-day corporate matters.
- Represented acquirer in management buyout of San Francisco-based design studio.
- Represents numerous internet, digital media, mobile, SaaS and other technology companies in connection with formation and early-stage financing matters.

Media

June 7, 2018

14 Greenberg Glusker Attorneys Named Super Lawyers Rising Stars

September 17, 2016

Kobe Bryant Reinvents Himself as a Venture Capitalist
Institutional Investor

January 11, 2016

Greenberg Glusker Elevates Aaron Gafni to Partner

Greenberg Glusker Press Release

October 28, 2014

Aaron Gafni Honored by Variety Among "Hollywood's New Leaders" for 2014

Variety

August 12, 2014

Sterling Family Trust Completes \$2 Billion Sale of Los Angeles Clippers to Steve Ballmer

Greenberg Glusker Press Release

October 1, 2011

Bet Tzedek Names Greenberg Glusker 2011 Pro Bono Firm of the Year

Greenberg Glusker Press Release- Bet Tzedek