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Joe focuses his practice on early stage and growth companies. He represents companies from inception to exit, and assists companies with among other things, formation, equity compensation, angel and venture financings, mergers and acquisitions, and other significant business transactions. He also represents investors in and acquirers of businesses and founders and executives.

Joe is Council Chair of the Angel Capital Association's Public Policy Advisory Council. He has been active in advocating for laws to make it less difficult for companies to raise capital. Joe wrote the first draft of Washington's equity crowdfunding law and was an early advocate for state crowdfunding laws, and later testified in favor of the bill that ultimately became law in Washington state. He also assisted in amendments to the bill that ultimately became law.

Education

LL.M (Taxation), New York University, 1996

JD, Seattle University School of Law, 1994

BA, University of Washington, 1990

Bar and Court Admissions

Washington, 1994

Professional Associations

Washington State Bar Association

Focus Areas:

- ❖ Startup Company Formations
- ❖ Angel and Venture Financings
- ❖ Mergers & Acquisitions
- ❖ Equity Compensation
- ❖ Stock Option/Equity Plan Administration
- ❖ Alternative Financing Structures
- ❖ Cannabis and CBD Law

Honors and Recognitions

Lawyer of the Year, *Best Lawyers*, 2018 - 2022

Listed in *Best Lawyers* for Business Organizations and Corporate Law 2016 - 2022.

Listed on one of Washington's Super Lawyers, *Super Lawyers Magazine* since 2009

Representative Clients/Matters

- ❖ VRstudios' Series B financing and strategic relationship with Cineplex (2018)
- ❖ Mediarails' Combination with Impact (2018)
- ❖ locurrents Financing (2018)
- ❖ VendorHawk's Acquisition by ServiceNow (2018)
- ❖ [SparkToro LLC Unit Financing](#) (2018)
- ❖ [Lighter Capital](#)

Publications

"Angel Investing, Start to Finish," Co-Author, 2020

["New Law Changes the Liquidity Game for Tech Company Founders, Workers and Investors,"](#) Co-Author, Crunch Network, March 10, 2016

["The Holloway Guide To Equity Compensation,"](#) Co-Author, 2018

News

[Angel Capital Association urges nomination of Joe Wallin for one of two new Securities and Exchange Commission members,](#) Washington Post, December 8, 2016.

Additional Qualifications

Partner, Davis Wright Tremaine LLP

Partner, DLA Piper US LLP (formerly DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary LLP and Gray Cary Ware & Freidenrich LLP), Seattle