

Catherine Chlebowski

Associate

Catherine Chlebowski's practice focuses on general corporate and transactional matters. She has experience in corporate mergers and acquisitions, and commercial contracts for companies engaged in a wide array of industries, including real estate. Catherine often assists with the representation of financial institutions in all types of real estate lending and general corporate lending, including secured and unsecured commercial lending transactions, syndicated credit facilities and the financing of complex commercial transactions.

While earning her undergraduate degree from The University of Texas at Austin, she was elected to the prestigious honor society of Phi Beta Kappa in 2014 and as a member of the Liberal Arts Honor College, wrote an honors thesis about the impact of social media on young voters.

During law school, Catherine represented abused and neglected children in Dallas County through the W.W. Caruth, Jr. Child Advocacy Clinic, where she gained invaluable experience in advocacy. She also served as representative of her class in the Student Bar Association, served as editor for the SMU International Law Review Association, and completed more than 300 hours of pro bono law work through the State Bar of Texas Pro Bono College. Catherine's commitment to pro bono law work continues at Gray Reed as she co-chairs the firm's Pro Bono Committee.

Experience

- Assisted a Houston-based cloud transformation technology services company with operations in the US and India in its sale to a Silicon Valley-based IT service management company. (2019)
- Assisted the founders of an environmental remediation, waste storage, transportation and disposal services company in \$88 million sale of a majority equity stake to a private equity fund, including a part equity sale and rollover by the founders, earn-out arrangements and



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Industries

Construction
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Practices

Banking & Finance
Real Estate

Education

J.D., *cum laude*, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law (2017)
B.A., *with highest honors*, Government, Minor in Spanish, The University of Texas (2014)

Bar Admissions

Texas (2017)

Languages

Spanish - Conversational

formation of a complex partnership to govern the newly-formed parent company. (2019)

- Assisted Bowen, Mickette & Britt Insurance Agency, LLC, a Texas limited liability company and Bowen, Mickette & Britt, Inc., a Texas corporation, in the acquisition of a minority interest from Agency Capital Group LLC and the sale of a majority interest to BroadStreet Partners, Inc., an Ohio corporation. (2018)
- Assisted Global Healthcare Alliance in its sale to Cedar Gate Technologies, a portfolio company of Chicago-based private equity fund GTCR. (2018)
- Assisted RadiaDyne, L.L.C. in its sale of equity to a publically-traded medical device company, AngioDynamics, Inc. (2018)
- Assisted Patriot Erectors, Inc., a steel fabrication and erection company, with its sale of business to Hillstar Capital, LLC and Ranch Creek Partners, LLC. (2018)
- Assisted State Parking Services, Inc., a valet parking company, and iPark Services LLC, a self-parking company, with the sale of equity to Premier Parking of Tennessee, LLC. (2018)
- Assisted a commercial laundry equipment distributor servicing clients in Texas and several other states in connection with the sale of substantially all of the assets of two companies to a strategic buyer. (2017)

Press Releases

- “Gray Reed Recognized for International M&A Deal” (April 23, 2019)
- “Gray Reed Wins M&A Advisor “Deal of the Year” Award for Patriot Erectors Transaction” (November 7, 2018)

Thought Leadership

- “Assignability of Commercial Contracts (TX)”, Practical Law | Thomson Reuters (March 20, 2019)
- “Sale of Goods Agreement (Pro-Buyer, Short Form) (TX)”, Practical Law | Thomson Reuters (2019)
- “Professional Services Agreement (TX)”, Practical Law | Thomson Reuters (2019)
- “The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act Offers New Tax Break for Real Estate: A Look at Qualified Opportunity Funds”, Gray Reed Legal Alert (November 8, 2018)
- “Series LLCs in the Construction Industry: Increasingly Popular Fortresses to Protect Contractor’s Assets”, *Build Houston* (October/November 2018)

Organizational Involvement

Professional Activities, Memberships & Affiliations

- Phi Beta Kappa
- The International Legal Honors Society of Phi Delta Phi
- State Bar of Texas
 - Business Law Section
 - Construction Law Section
 - Oil, Gas, and Energy Resources Law Section
- Houston Young Lawyers Association
- Houston Bar Association
 - Mergers & Acquisitions Section

- Associated Builders & Contractors
 - Committee Member

Community Activities, Memberships & Affiliations

- Crime Stoppers of Houston Young Professional Group
- University of Texas, Texas Exes