

People



## Amanda K. Leech

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Amanda K. Leech focuses her practice on general corporate counseling of both privately held and public companies. She counsels boards of directors on corporate governance and compliance and has extensive experience representing special committees of boards with independent reviews and investigations. Her work includes counseling boards during corporate crisis situations. In this capacity, she has represented the boards of Fortune 100 companies, nonprofits and quasi-governmental organizations.

Amanda advises clients on mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, joint ventures, and strategic alliances. She has experience with transactions in a number of industries, including media and entertainment, technology, manufacturing and defense, and she has developed a particular focus advising government contractors on corporate transactions.

### Notable Work

#### Mergers and Acquisitions

**Herschend Family Entertainment Group:** Represented in its acquisition of the Harlem Globetrotters from Shamrock Capital Advisors, a private equity firm based in Los Angeles.

**SPEware Corp.:** Represented company in its sale to Tecan Group Ltd., a leading Swiss laboratory and life science equipment manufacturer. SPEware is a manufacturer of solid-phase extraction columns and associated automation equipment for use in laboratory, pharmaceutical, and forensics fields.

**Crawford & Company:** Represented in its acquisition of a majority interest in WeGoLook, LLC, an online and mobile collaborative economy platform headquartered in Oklahoma City. Crawford & Company is the largest publicly listed independent provider of

### Areas of Experience

Corporate  
M&A and Private Equity  
Corporate Finance and Lending  
Corporate Governance  
Government Contracts  
Transactional Risk

### Education

J.D., Emory University School of Law, 2006  
B.S., University of Alabama, Magna cum laude

### Admissions

#### Bars

Georgia

### Related Content

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Atlanta Attorneys  
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claims management solutions to insurance companies and self-insured entities.

**SIMOS Insourcing Solutions:** Represented this labor management firm in its sale to TrueBlue, the largest industrial staffing firm in the United States.

**Kliklok Corporation:** Represented in its sale to Bosch Packaging Technology, a leading supplier of process and packaging technology. Kliklok is a globally recognized manufacturer of packaging machinery for the food industry with locations in the United States and the United Kingdom.

**Gem Shopping Network, Inc.:** Represented in its sale to Sun Capital Partners, a Boca Raton, Florida-based private equity fund.

**Reed Exhibitions Americas:** Represented this division of UK- and Netherlands-based Reed Elsevier in its acquisition of Penny Arcade, the largest gaming festival in North America.

**River Capital:** Represented this Atlanta-based private equity fund in connection with the sale of Tronair, Inc., one of its portfolio companies, to a financial buyer. Tronair designs, engineers and manufactures well-recognized brand name ground support equipment for the business, commuter and commercial aviation markets.

## **Government Contracts**

**LinQuest Corporation:** Represented in its acquisition from Schafer Corporation of assets necessary to provide advisory and assistance support to the US Air Force Space Command, NORAD/USNORTHCOM and the Space Innovation and Development Center.

**Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp.:** Represented this subsidiary of Ball Corporation in its acquisition of all of the stock of Wavefront Technologies, Inc., a government contractor specializing in the provision of engineering services to agencies within the US government intelligence community.

**Capco, LLC:** Represented in its sale to Kachi Growth Partners, a Colorado-based private equity fund. Capco is a designer and manufacturer of gun-mounting systems, small arms and ordinance components, electronic assemblies, electro-explosive devices and other military hardware and energetic items, primarily for the US military.

## **Corporate Governance**

**Port Authority of New York and New Jersey:** Serving as outside counsel to its audit committee.

**Confidential Client:** Engaged by a publicly traded company to investigate possible wrongdoing in a division. The investigation led to immediate reforms in the division, and allowed the company to proactively engage its regulators and cure issues without penalties or negative publicity

**New York Stock Exchange-listed Multinational:** Represented the audit committee of the board of directors in connection with an investigation requested by the external auditor in response to illegal

acts in a foreign subsidiary. The investigation resulted in reforms to the company's governance and compliance system and controls.

**Tennessee Valley Authority:** Represented its audit committee in the aftermath of a one-billion-gallon coal ash spill, providing an analysis of gaps in systems and controls and recommending governance reforms.

**Fortune 500 Multinational:** Engaged to review and modernize its global compliance and investigations programs, and developed related training programs

## Published Work and Lectures

- The CLS Blue Sky Blog, Co-Author, "How Boards of Directors Should Protect Against the Rising Storm," March 17, 2020
- The Conference Board Governance Center Blog, Co-Author, "Cybersecurity for Directors," July 27, 2015
- *Financier Worldwide*, Co-Author, "Auditor Independence: Mandatory Auditor Rotation and the Increased Burden for Audit Committees," May 2013

## Honors and Distinctions

- *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2023-2026, Listed in Georgia for Corporate Law and Mergers and Acquisitions
- *GaBiz Magazine*, 2025, Top Lawyers List, Honoree