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For more than three decades, Paul's practice has focused on corporate and commercial law for privately owned businesses, with an emphasis on general business counseling, commercial finance, mergers and acquisitions, private equity and venture capital and international trade and cross-border transactions. He also has a niche practice representing community banks in bank regulatory, compliance, lending and workout matters.

His multifaceted practice enables him to serve the domestic and international needs of a wide range of clients, particularly those with interests in China.

Paul has counseled clients on business structuring and outsourcing transactions in China, international trade and finance matters, CFIUS compliance, U.S. export controls on sales to China and acquisitions of and by Chinese companies.

Paul also counsels both U.S. companies doing business overseas and foreign companies doing business in the United States in matters involving:

- International private equity and venture capital transactions
- Cross-border structuring
- International debt and equity financing transactions
- Trade and trade finance
- Sales distribution agreements
- Export control compliance
- Joint ventures
- Foreign Corrupt Practice Act (FCPA) compliance
- EB-5 Regional Centers

In his banking practice, Paul regularly represents lenders in commercial loan transactions and workouts, and has extensive experience representing banks on various types of regulatory matters, including compliance and consumer lending issues. He has represented a number of banks in responding to supervisory orders issued by the federal and state bank regulatory agencies, including the OCC and the FDIC, and has represented bank directors in civil money penalty proceedings. Paul also handles de novo bank formations, bank acquisitions and change of control transactions.

As a trusted advisor to corporations, businesses and banks, Paul handles complex mergers and acquisitions and financing transactions for privately held companies and community banks, including venture capital and private equity transactions, private placements, commercial and corporate finance transactions and other debt and equity financings. Paul's extensive knowledge of angel financings, venture capital, private equity, strategic investments and private placements has made him a key player in the Stamford business community.

Paul is co-chair of the American Bar Association International Law Section's China Committee and liaison to the Shandong Lawyers Association. Paul is also the former chairman of the Stamford Chamber of Commerce, is the founder and former chairman of its International Trade Council and is president of the Connecticut China Council. He devotes considerable time to community activities promoting U.S.-Sino relations.

Before Fox Rothschild

Prior to joining the firm, Paul was counsel to a New-England based regional firm, where he headed its China practice, and was a member of its Privately Owned Business, Private Equity, Community Banking and International Practice Groups.

During law school, Paul was an editor of the *Connecticut Law Review*.

Beyond Fox Rothschild

Paul is recognized within the State of Connecticut and the City of Stamford for both his professional and community activities, and has taken a leadership role in China and international activities on a local and statewide basis. He serves as Co-Chair of the China Committee of the American Bar Association's Section of International Law, and has written and lectured extensively in the U.S., China and other countries on China and international legal and business topics.

In addition, Paul spearheaded the establishment of the UConn Center for Globalization and Commerce and the Stamford Chamber International Trade Resource Program (SITREP). He has also guest lectured at the Western Connecticut State University, at the University of Connecticut and at the University of New Haven on China. Finally, he gave an educational presentation to the Shandong (China) Bar Association on representing clients on international mergers and acquisitions.

Honors & Awards

- Recipient of the Chairman's Award from the Stamford Chamber of Commerce (2007)
- Recipient of the President's Award from the Stamford Chamber of Commerce (2005)



Practice Areas

- Corporate
- Financial Services Industry



- International
- International Trade
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Public Companies
- Emerging Companies & Venture Capital
- EB-5 Immigrant Investor Services
- China
- Private Equity

Bar Admissions

- Connecticut
- New York

Education

- University of Connecticut School of Law (J.D., *with honors*, 1976)
- Wesleyan University (B.A., 1972)

Memberships

- American Bar Association (Section of International Law, Liaison to the Shandong Lawyers Association)
- American Bar Association (Section of International Law, Co-Chair, China Committee)
- American Bar Association (Business Law Section)
- Connecticut Bar Association (Former Chair, Financial Institutions Section)
- Connecticut Bar Association (Business Law Section)
- Connecticut District Export Council (Appointed by U.S. Commerce Secretary Gary Locke)
- Connecticut China Council
- Fairfield County Bar Association
- Stamford Chamber of Commerce (Founder and Former Chairman, International Trade Council)
- U.S.-China Center Advisory Board of the Connecticut Board of Regents

Board of Directors

- Connecticut China Council (President)
- Stamford Chamber of Commerce (Former Chairman)