

## Brendan J. Cahill

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### Areas Of Practice

Business Services

Corporate Finance

Mergers & Acquisitions

Mergers & Acquisitions Annual  
Survey

Private Equity, Venture Capital &  
Mezzanine Finance

### Industries

Automotive Industry Group

Electric and Autonomous Vehicles  
(E/AV) and Advanced Mobility

Financial Industry Group

### Bar Admissions

Michigan, 1994

### Education

University of Michigan, J.D.

University of Notre Dame, B.A.,  
with honors

Brendan Cahill is a Member of Dykema's Corporate Finance Practice Group and serves on the Firm's Executive Board. He has over 25 years of experience representing clients on mergers and acquisitions, investments, and joint venture transactions; business planning; and general corporate counseling. His experience includes middle market acquisitions and dispositions for private equity and strategic clients, with particular experience in the automotive and manufacturing industries. He also is the former Director of Dykema's Automotive Industry Group.

Mr. Cahill's experience includes:

- Representing private equity firms (including independent sponsors) and related portfolio companies;
- Private company mergers and acquisitions and joint venture transactions;
- Representing institutional investors with respect to co-investment transactions;
- General corporate representation including counsel to Boards of Directors, entity formation and capitalization, shareholder agreements, customer and supplier relationships, and executive employment matters; and
- The formation of certified minority business enterprises.

Mr. Cahill regularly speaks on M&A and joint venture topics.

Prior to joining Dykema, Mr. Cahill worked in the financial derivative products trading industry.

## Experience

### **Mergers, Acquisitions and Joint Ventures**

Mr. Cahill's experience includes:

- Represented a Detroit-based private equity firm in platform acquisitions, growth equity investments, and related add-on acquisitions.
- Represented a publicly traded logistics company in connection with numerous acquisitions, dispositions, and financings, as well as other special projects.
- Represented a New York-based live entertainment theater company in the sale of Detroit and San Francisco venues to a London-based entertainment company.

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- Represented a New York-based private equity firm in a distressed assets acquisition and follow-on activities.
- Represented a Detroit-based independent sponsor in a specialty chemicals company investment.
- Represented a Los Angeles-based growth equity firm in its investment in an auto dealer digital marketing company.
- Represented a Chicago-based private equity firm in the sale of an automotive aftermarket parts supplier, along with prior dispositions of several divisions.
- Represented a Los Angeles-based private equity firm in its platform acquisition of an automotive supplier casting and machining business.
- Regularly advise a Japan-based global manufacturer, focusing on multiple domestic and cross-border joint ventures, acquisitions and dispositions, corporate governance, and customer and supplier relationships.
- Represented a Tier 1 automotive supplier in its acquisitions of a Mexican company from its U.S. parent in a "363" transaction and a follow-on strategic acquisition.
- Advised a Japan-based global Tier 1 automotive supplier in connection with a minority business enterprise joint venture, as well as with respect to customer and supplier relationships.
- Represented a U.S.-based Tier 1 automotive supplier in multiple acquisitions and financing transactions, including public debt offerings and "363" transactions.
- Represented a New York-based family office in platform acquisitions.
- Represented a Detroit-based family office in numerous investment transactions.
- Represented numerous private companies in sale transactions to strategic and private equity buyers.
- Represent a portfolio company of a New York-based middle-market private equity firm in add-on acquisitions, divestitures of non-core assets, and regulatory and general commercial matters.
- Represent several institutional investors with respect to co-investment transactions.
- Advise management companies and physicians in ambulatory surgery center (ASC) development, investments, and dispositions.
- Advised media company in multiple acquisitions of trade publications and related financing transactions.
- Advised multiple companies in the formation of minority business enterprise joint ventures.

### **Corporate Advisory Services**

- Provide regular outside general counsel services to numerous privately-held companies, focusing on customer and supplier relationships, strategic transactions, and general corporate counseling.
- Represent e-commerce company specializing in the buying and selling of internet-generated new and used car purchase and automobile finance leads.
- Represent numerous start-up companies in structuring, financing, and governance matters.

### **Seminars & Speeches**

*Anatomy of a Private Equity Deal*, ACG Detroit NextGen, Bloomfield Hills, MI  
February 23, 2016

### **Publications**

"Coming to a Deal Near You: Representations and Warranties Insurance"  
November 2019  
*Illinois Bar Journal*

Before Self-Driving Cars: Four Tech Challenges the Auto Industry Faces Today  
January 16, 2015

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## News

Brendan Cahill Considers Market Appeal of Autonomous Vehicle Technology in *Automotive News*  
April 29, 2017

## Memberships & Involvement

- American Bar Association, Section of Business Law
- Michigan State Bar Association, Section of Business Law
- Oakland County Bar Association

## Community/Civic Activities

- Fundraiser for Angel's Place, a housing provider for developmentally disabled adults

## Awards & Recognition

Named "Lawyer of the Year," Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Detroit, Michigan, by *The Best Lawyers in America*®, 2022

Recognized in *Michigan Super Lawyers*® for Business/Corporate, Mergers & Acquisitions, Securities and Corporate Finance, 2008-Present

Named a Michigan Leading Lawyer in the areas of Corporate Finance and Publicly Held Corporations Law by the *Leading Lawyers Network*, 2014-2017. Law Bulletin Publishing Company

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Named a Top Lawyer in *dbusiness Magazine* for Securities Law in 2014, and Mergers and Acquisitions, 2015-2018