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PRACTICE FOCUS

General Corporate Advice
Securities & Corporate
Governance
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Corporate & Transactional
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EDUCATION

West Virginia University, B.A.,
M.A., 2005
Indiana University Maurer
School of Law, J.D., 2010

BAR ADMISSIONS

American Bar Association
The Florida Bar
Hillsborough County Bar
Association
The Pennsylvania Bar

"Zach is a sharp lawyer. He is responsive, experienced and a pleasure to work with." Client Quote, Chambers USA

Zach Watt advises clients on a variety of corporate and transactional matters, including commercial lending, securities, mergers and acquisitions and corporate governance. He has represented financial institutions and borrowers in numerous commercial lending transactions, including secured and unsecured revolving credit and term loan facilities, syndicated facilities, asset-based financings, acquisition financings, tax-exempt bond financings, and letter of credit issuances. He also represents companies in public offerings and private placements, preparation and review of SEC filings, other securities law compliance, and general governance matters.

Prior to joining the firm, Zach was an associate in the Philadelphia office of Ballard Spahr LLP.

HONORS

- *The Best Lawyers in America*® (2022-2026)
- Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyer, Banking & Finance (2024-2025)
- *TAMPA Magazine's* Top Lawyers (2023)
 - Banking Finance Law
 - Financial Services Regulation

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EXPERIENCE

Representative transactions include:

- Represented lender's agent in \$40 million syndicated credit facility to finance joint venture between two bakery companies.
- Represented prominent aerospace manufacture as borrower in \$1 billion revolving credit and \$375 million term loan syndicated credit facility.
- Represented bank in purchase of \$47 million of tax-exempt bonds to finance the expansion of a healthcare facility.
- Represented strategic buyer as borrower in \$25,000,000 senior credit facility and \$100,000,000 mezzanine facility to finance acquisitions.
- Represented medical diagnostics company in underwritten public offering of 10 million shares of common stock and related warrants to purchase 3,500,000 shares of common stock.
- Represented public medical device company in a reverse merger with another public company, with the combined companies expected to generate revenue of approximately \$50 million for the following fiscal year.
- Represented development stage biotechnology company in private placement of \$17 million of preferred stock.

NEWS & INSIGHTS

Seventy-Seven Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Recognized in the 2026 Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*® and *The Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America
Firm News, 8.21.25

Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys and Practices Receive 2025 Chambers Recognition
Firm News, 6.5.25

Eighty-Three Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Cited in The Best Lawyers in America 2025 Publication
Firm News, 8.15.24

Hill Ward Henderson Advises Scott's Liquid Gold-Inc. in Reverse Merger with Horizon Kinetics LLC
Firm News, 8.8.24

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Eighty-Three Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Cited in The Best Lawyers in America 2024 Publication
Firm News, 8.17.23

Twenty-Six Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Recognized in TAMPA Magazine's 2023 Top Lawyers
Firm News, 1.3.23

Eighty-One Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Cited in The Best Lawyers in America 2023 Publication
Firm News, 8.18.22

Seventy Six Hill Ward Henderson Attorneys Cited in The Best Lawyers in America 2022 Publication
Firm News, 8.19.21

Hill Ward Henderson Elects Two Shareholders
Firm News, 1.13.20

NOTEWORTHY

Chambers USA ranks the leading lawyers and law firms across the USA. Legal rankings are based on in-depth market analysis and independent research, conducted by an experienced team of researchers. Individual lawyers are ranked in their practice area(s) based on legal knowledge and experience, ability, effectiveness and client service.

"Zachary Watt is my top-rated legal partner and my go-to for any complex transaction." Client quote, Chambers USA 2025

"Zachary is our go-to for financing matters. We always enjoy working with him. He is thorough and helpful." Client quote, Chambers USA 2025

"Zach is a sharp lawyer. He is responsive, experienced and a pleasure to work with." Client quote, Chambers USA 2025

"It is a pleasure working with Zach over numerous transactions. He is good at viewing a situation based on business and legal merits." Client quote, Chambers USA 2025

"Zach is a great partner. He is incredibly responsive, knowledgeable and a pleasure to work with." Client quote, Chambers USA 2024

"He is very responsive and always provides a high-quality product." Client quote, Chambers USA 2024