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EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 2012
University of Virginia, B.A., 2007

EXPERTISE

Finance & Acquisitions, Banking & Lending, and Private Equity

ADMITTED IN

Colorado and New York

Taylor Smith is a partner at Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP, where his practice focuses on the representation of borrowers and lenders in debt finance transactions. He is admitted to practice in Colorado and New York.

Prior to joining Davis Graham, Taylor practiced for three years in the corporate department of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP in New York.

Taylor graduated from the University of Virginia in 2007 with a B.A. in English Literature and received his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center in 2012. During law school, Taylor interned in the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice and at the Enforcement Division of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

From 2020 to 2024, Taylor served on the Board of Trustees of the Arrupe Jesuit Corporate Work Study Program, which provides economically disadvantaged high school students with the opportunity to get a private college-preparatory education by earning part of their tuition at entry-level office positions in banking, finance, law, medicine and other career fields. From 2016 to 2018, he served on the Young Professionals Council of Denver Kids, Inc., a non-profit focused

on helping Denver Public Schools students graduate from high school and pursue post-secondary options. Taylor was a member of the 2018 Leadership 20 class, a leadership development program for emerging leaders within ACC Denver's professional business community. He has been named among the "Ones to Watch" in the area of Corporate Law by Best Lawyers, an annual guide by publisher Woodward/White Inc. In 2025, Taylor was recognized as a Top Lawyer in Banking Law by *5280* and designated as a "Leader in Their Field" in Banking & Finance in Colorado by *Chambers USA*.

REPRESENTATIVE DAVIS GRAHAM TRANSACTIONS

Private Equity

- Approximately \$130 million of committed acquisition financing for a private equity consortium's acquisition of a waste and recycling company.
- Debt financing for a private equity sponsor's acquisition of a building products company.
- Debt financing for a private equity sponsor's acquisition of a series of medical equipment services providers.

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- Debt financing for a private equity sponsor's acquisition of a supply chain technology firm.
- Subscription-based credit facilities for an energy focused private equity fund and a real estate focused private equity fund.
- Debt financing for a private equity firm's acquisition of a workwear retailer.
- Representation of first lien lender in leveraged acquisition of a manufacturing company.

Real Estate Lending and Project Finance

- Over \$750 million of in aggregate financing for the acquisition and development of a nationwide portfolio of select service hotels.
- \$375 million credit facility for a Denver-based commercial real estate investment fund.
- Over \$550 million in aggregate construction loans for Snowmass base village development project.
- Loans to finance the construction of condominium, apartment, and affordable housing developments throughout Colorado.
- Debt financing for leveraged acquisition of Texas water rights.

General Corporate – Public Company Borrowers

- \$200 million credit facility for DMC Global Inc. in connection with its acquisition of a controlling interest in Arcadia Inc.
- Reserve-based revolving credit facility for PDC Energy, Inc., providing for a maximum credit amount of \$2.5 billion.
- \$200 million credit facility for Mesa Laboratories, Inc.

General Corporate – Private Borrowers

- \$500 million senior secured revolving credit facility for a global materials and manufacturing company.
- \$500 million reserve-based revolving credit facility for privately held energy producer.
- Senior secured revolving credit facility for a design engineering firm.
- Representation of first lien lender in senior secured revolving credit facility for international ski resort operator.
- Representation of commercial bank in senior secured asset-based revolver for warehousing company.

PUBLICATIONS

- "Equity Cure Provisions in Middle-Market, Sponsor-Backed Credit Agreements," *Colorado Banker Magazine* (October 2022)
- "Anti-Cash Hoarding Provisions in Reserve-Based Credit Agreements," Davis Graham Legal Alert (May 2020)
- "Energy Funds Target Subscription-Based Facilities," *Oil & Gas Investor* (November 2017)