



Financial Institutions Mergers & Acquisitions

As the competitive financial services industry evolves, financial institutions continue to be both targets and acquirers of other financial institutions and related businesses. Regardless of which side of the transaction one is on, understanding the dynamics of a deal and determining whether and in which ways it is valuable can be challenging.

From establishing strategic objectives at the outset through every step of a proposed transaction, our experienced attorneys are there to guide community banks through every stage of merger and acquisition transactions.

We have:

- Shared with boards our extensive and varied experiences with potential acquirers, their styles and their strategic objectives, information that is invaluable as the board considers its alternatives
- Combined cultures of merging organizations, ensuring that key managers and employees on both sides are well protected
- Addressed employee options, compensation strategies, change in control provisions and golden parachutes of vital concern to all participants
- Assisted community banks in establishing a strategic direction, be it an exit strategy, an opportunity to become an acquirer of other banks or a strategic partner in insurance, brokerage, mortgages, trust or other affiliated areas
- Managed the regulatory approval and securities registration process