

PRACTICES:

- Corporate
 - Financing and Lending
 - Mergers and Acquisitions
- Compliance and Investigations
- International
 - China Practice



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Experience

Thomas Wardell focuses on corporate counseling, corporate finance and securities, acquisitions and dispositions, and corporate reorganizations and restructurings. He represents public and private companies, and he also counsels companies on compliance and governance matters, including investigations both internal and with regulatory significance.

While residing in Boston, Mr. Wardell was an adjunct professor at Boston University School of Management and a guest lecturer at Harvard Business School. He also spoke at other law and business schools conducting courses in investment banking, commercial transactions and public finance. Mr. Wardell was president and CEO of Versyss from 1988 to 1993. Versyss was a provider of computer systems for small business applications. It was the largest provider in the U.S. for the physician practice and credit union industries and one of the top three providers for the construction and building supply industry.

Mr. Wardell was involved with the financial restructuring of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Penn Central Railroad Company.

Atlanta Magazine recognized Mr. Wardell as a Georgia Super Lawyer in 2004 and 2006 for his advisory services to publicly-held companies.

Representative Clients

- Adtran, Inc.
- Pediatric Services of America, Inc. (PSA)
- US Airways Group, Inc.
- Fresh & Easy Neighborhood Market Inc.

Education

- J.D., Harvard Law School, 1966
- A.B., Harvard College, *cum laude*, 1962

Admitted

- Georgia

+ Publications:

- "International Corporate Governance Roundtable," *Financier Worldwide*, (February 2008).
- "How A Law Firm Can Assist General Counsel In Their Enhanced Role," *The Metropolitan Corporate Counsel*, (August 2007).
- Investigations as an Opportunity to Reformulate Operational Response to Business Risk," *Financier Worldwide*, (July 2007).
- "Corporate Compliance: Casting A Wide Net," *Metropolitan Corporate Counsel*, (September 2006).

+ Seminars And Presentations:

- "Diversity in the Legal Profession: A Panel Discussion on Law School Admissions, Recruitment and Retention Best Practices in Law Firms and Corporate Legal Departments," *State Bar of Georgia*, (March 22, 2007).
- "Directors & M&A: Best Practices for Board Members," *Directors & Boards Seminar*, (January 24, 2007).
- "Front and Center: Sustaining Ethical Cultures Over the Long Haul," *Compliance Week 2006*, (June 8, 2006).
- "The Value Proposition of an Internal Investigation: A Four Stage Model," *Compliance Week 2006*, (June 7, 2006).