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Practice Areas

Mergers and Acquisitions; Private Equity; Banking and Finance

Career and qualifications

Waselius Attorneys, Partner 2026-; Waselius Attorneys, Associate (2016-2025); Trainee in a leading Finnish law firm (2011-2014); Legal Trainee at Amer Sports Corporation (2013)

Education: University of Turku, LL.M. 2015

Selected experience

- Acquisition by First Nordic Metals of Mawson Finland Limited;
- Advised MarshallAI on the growth investment by Bittium Plc;
- Advised THEON on its investment in Varjo;
- Sale of Aitoenergia to Geonova;
- Advised FOV Ventures on its investment in spogen.ai;
- Acquisition by Hedin Mobility Group of Ford's import and distribution operations in Finland;
- Advised angel investor syndicate in its investment in Dobbeltgänger Oy;
- Sale by Dovre Group of Project Personnel and Norwegian consulting businesses to NYAB;
- Advised Business Finland's Angel CoFund in its investment in Coiniverse;
- Advised UB Forest Industry Green Growth Fund I LP and ALTANA in their investment in Nordtreat Group Oy;
- Acquisition by MABI Mobility AB of Scandia Rent;
- Advised the Finnish Ministry of Transport and Communications in the transformation of Finnish Rail Ltd into Airport Line Ltd;
- Acquisition by WiseTech Global of Aktiv Data Oy;
- Acquisition by AcadeMedia of Touhula Päiväkodit;
- Acquisition by CMA CGM of Bolloré Logistics;
- Advised Vapo Terra Oy in sale of pellet factory;
- Visma increases its international growth through changes in its shareholder base;
- Acquisition by Hedin Mobility Group of Iveco Group's distribution and retail operations in the Nordics;
- Acquisition by Efecte Plc of Sysart Oy's Requeste business;
- Represented Hedin Automotive in the acquisition of Delta Auto;
- Sale of Visma's IT consulting business to CVC Capital Partners Fund VIII;
- Acquisition by Eitrium of Ab Keymet Oy;
- Acquisition by Caplugs of Safeplast Oy;

- Sale by CCR S.A of Quicko to MaaS Global;
- Joint Venture between Neova Oy and Lassila & Tikanoja Plc;
- Acquisition by Storytel of the Finnish publishing house Aula & Co.;
- Acquisition by NCS of the thermo road business of DSV;
- Advised Hg Capital and Visma in the sale of ownership interests in Visma;
- Acquisition by One.com of Zoner Oy;
- Sale and leaseback of Airbus A350 Aircraft;
- Refinancing of Loimua;
- Advised Winance in connection with a convertible note facility to Valoe Corporation;
- Sale of Aviator to Avia Solutions Group;
- Advised Winance in connection with a bridge loan to Valoe Corporation;
- Advised AMC Networks in connection with the rights offering of Next Games;
- Financing of the acquisition of Elenia Heat;
- Acquisition by Secto Automotive of OP Kulku;
- Acquisition of Runtech Systems Oy by Gardner Denver Holdings Inc.;
- Acquisition of Skaala by IFN Group;
- Neste Corporation EUR 400 million notes listed on NASDAQ Helsinki;
- Acquisition of Tamrotor Kompressorit Oy by Gardner Denver;
- Investment by Delos Living LLC in NaturVention Oy (Naava);
- Acquisition of Staples' European Business by Cerberus Capital Management;

Member

Finnish Bar Association (2020), Association of Finnish Lawyers

Recent publications

- Legal 500: Venture Capital Guide – Finland
- Private Mergers and Acquisitions Global Guide – Finland
- Energy & Infrastructure M&A 2025 – Finland
- Chambers Private Equity Guide 2025 – Finland
- Lexology Private M&A 2026
- Private Mergers and Acquisitions in Finland: Overview
- Private Equity 2023 Q&A Guide – Finland
- Lexology GTDT Private M&A 2023
- Lexology - Getting The Deal Through - Private M&A 2022 - Finland
- Private Equity 2021 – Finland?
- Initial Public Offerings 2020?Finland