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Languages

German, English, French

Expertise

Patrik Peyer is the co-head of NKF's Corporate and M&A team. He is a Corporate law specialist with a main focus on M&A transactions and complex corporate law matters.

He has broad experience in and a deep understanding of all phases of the private equity and venture capital investment life cycle.

Patrik Peyer also regularly advises board of directors and executive managements on Corporate Governance and remuneration topics.

Patrik Peyer is listed as an expert for Mergers & Acquisitions by Chambers, Legal 500, IFLR1000, Who's Who Legal and by Best Lawyers. He was the managing partner of Niederer Kraft Frey from 2021 until 2024.

Corporate / M&A

Private Equity

Technology

Luxury & Fashion

Sports & Entertainment

Career

- 2015** Partner, Niederer Kraft Frey (Managing Partner from 2021 until 2024)
- 2014** Seconded to the Frankfurt office of a Magic Circle firm
- 2009** Senior Associate, Niederer Kraft Frey
- 2006** Associate, Niederer Kraft Frey
- 2003** Research Assistant for Corporate Law at University of Zurich
- 2001** Research Assistant for Contract and Tort Law at University of Zurich
- 2000** Clerk with the District Court of Zurich

Education

2011	University of St. Gallen, Executive MBA HSG
2006	Admitted to the Bar (Attorney-at-law)
2005	University of Zurich, PhD (Dr. iur.)
2003	University of Cambridge, LL.M., British Counsel Chevening Scholar 2002 / 2003
1999	University of Zurich, Master Degree

Experience

The following is a selection of recent cases in which Patrik Peyer acted as counsel to:

- abrantix on its joint venture PaytestLab with B2 Payment Solutions (2024)
- Calibre Scientific, Inc., (Calibre Scientific) on the acquisition of Bioreba AG (2024)
- Axpo Holding AG on the sale of a minority stake in Axpo Volt Beteiligung AG to BVK (2023)
- L Catterton on its investment in Planted Foods AG as part of the company's Series B financing round (2022)
- Ardian's portfolio company Frulact Serviços Partilhados SA on the acquisition of a business unit of International Flavors & Fragrances Inc (2021)
- Sportradar Group AG on the successful launch of its IPO and the start of trading on Nasdaq (2021)
- Calibre Scientific, Inc. on the acquisition of HUBERLAB.AG (2021)
- SERgroup Holding International GmbH on the acquisition of Interact Digital AG (2021)
- Morgan Stanley Capital Partners on the closing of the investment in US HealthConnect (2020)
- Ardian on the acquisition of a majority stake in Swissbit Holding AG (2020)
- Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan, Canada's largest single-profession pension plan, on the purchase of 156,658 shares (2.85%) in Barry Callebaut AG (2019)
- Lindsay Goldberg, a New York based private investment firm, on the acquisition of Bilcare Research Group (2019)

Market Perception

Patrik Peyer is one of the leading M&A lawyers with a particular strong track record in private M&A transactions and highly regarded by the PE community. Highly efficient, structured and responsive with excellent deal making skills and a strong team-player and leader. Very well connected in the market. (Legal 500 2025 – Commercial, Corporate & M&A)

Patrik Peyer is a highly experienced lawyer with a deep understanding of the client's needs. Patrik Peyer is a strong corporate lawyer. (Chambers Global 2025 – Corporate/M&A)

He is a strong lawyer that can push your agenda as well as reach agreements with the other side. (Chambers Global 2024 – Corporate/M&A)

He is an excellent M&A lawyer. He is our top choice for work in Switzerland. (Chambers 2024 – Corporate/M&A)

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He has very strong negotiation skills and is always on top of the transactions. He understands very well how to work closely with our team and how to allocate work. (Chambers 2024 – Corporate/M&A)

Patrik Peyer has deep knowledge about corporate matters in Switzerland and is very experienced. (Chambers Global 2023 – Corporate/M&A)

Patrik Peyer assists with acquisitions, sales and investments. His clients feature large international banks as well as private equity firms. One impressed source describes him as a highly trusted adviser with great knowledge of the Swiss market. (Chambers Global 2022 – Corporate/M&A)

Patrik Peyer is "highly recommended" as "a great choice for private M&A deals". (Who's Who Legal Switzerland – M&A 2022)

Patrik Peyer: great network and solution-oriented. (Legal 500 2022 - Commercial, Corporate & M&A)

Patrik Peyer is a long-standing fixture in the Swiss market, renowned for his leading work advising clients on the full gamut of transactional and investment matters. (Who's Who Legal Switzerland – Corporate Governance 2021)

Patrik Peyer has proven to be an excellent attorney who can make the difference. He is always available and focuses on the most important topics in critical situations, which give his clients an edge in competitive M&A processes. (Legal 500 2021 - Commercial, Corporate and M&A)

Patrik Peyer – always available, pragmatic, solution driven, very pleasant and friendly demeanour, even in contentious negotiation situations – keeps his focus on content, solutions and is client-focussed. (Legal 500 2021 - Commercial, Corporate and M&A)

Patrik Peyer is described as "business-minded" and "calm negotiator." (Chambers Global 2020 - Corporate/M&A)

Patrik Peyer is extremely "switched on", reliable and competent. He always stick to deadlines and is very easy to work with. He is well aware of new legal developments and is highly reliable. You can reach him at any time (24/7). (IFLR1000 2020 – Corporate/M&A)

Patrik Peyer is "commercially minded and extremely responsive". (Legal 500 2019)

Patrik Peyer "translates complex solutions into simple structures". (Legal 500 2018)

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Patrik Peyer is described as "extremely committed" (Legal 500 2017)

