

SHANT H. CHALIAN JOINS HODGSON RUSS LLP

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Shant H. Chalian has joined Hodgson Russ as a partner in the law firm's Corporate & Securities Practice Group in the firm's New York City office at 1540 Broadway.

Mr. Chalian practices in the areas of investment management, with an emphasis on the formation of private equity and hedge funds; acquisitions and divestitures; venture capital and private placements; securities offerings; and general corporate matters. He is involved in a wide range of transactions aimed at strategic growth and raising capital. His experience includes representing sponsors and investors in the formation of private equity and hedge funds and their respective portfolio investments. Mr. Chalian counsels public and private companies in connection with their acquisitions and divestitures. He also works closely with issuers, investors, placement agents and underwriters in a wide variety of capital-raising activities, including venture capital financings, private placements, equity offerings, and senior and subordinated debt offerings. He also prepares and reviews SEC filings and is regularly involved in other general corporate matters.

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