

Our Israel Practice

Mayer Brown lawyers have a long history of deep commitment to the Israeli market, including representation of Israeli companies and their financial advisers; placement agents and underwriters; and venture, private equity and other strategic and financial investors. The breadth of the firm's global presence, as well as its experience in capital markets, mergers and acquisitions, technology and life sciences transactions, finance, cybersecurity and data protection, intellectual property and licensing, regulatory, tax, real estate, and litigation and dispute resolution, enables the firm to provide top quality and efficient counsel.

Our lawyers work side-by-side with Israeli counsel and have advised on many of the largest US initial public offerings, on the largest M&A transactions, and on SPAC mergers and related transactions involving Israeli companies and companies with significant operations in Israel.

We work with Israeli companies in the following areas:

Emerging Companies & Venture Capital

We offer early-stage and emerging company business-oriented, timely and practical advice, from initial structuring and assistance with a company's first capital raise, to advice along every step of its growth trajectory.

Capital Markets Transactions

We help Israeli companies undertake cost-effective IPOs, follow-on public offerings and other capital markets transactions, leveraging our practice in cross-border public offerings. We are ranked by The Legal 500 US and IFLR1000 for our capabilities in capital markets, and also ranked Tier 1 by US News/Best Lawyers for securities/capital markets law.

SPACs and SPAC related transactions

Our experience with SPACs and SPAC related transactions runs the gamut: from SPAC IPOs, to de-SPAC transactions, to SPAC PIPE transactions.

Our Late Stage and Pre-IPO Private Placements

Our lawyers regularly advise issuers, placement agents and investors in connection with private placements of equity, debt and hybrid securities.

We work with Israeli companies in the following areas (cont.):

Mergers, Acquisitions and Strategic Transactions/Alliances

We advise Israeli companies, investors, and venture and private equity funds in negotiating and structuring cross-border transactions. Our M&A practice is ranked by Chambers USA, Chambers UK, Chambers Asia-Pacific, and IFLR1000.

Regulatory and Enforcement Advice

We help companies structure and expand operations to take advantage of new opportunities, comply with local and international regulatory schemes, identify and shape emerging legislative and regulatory policies, and develop compliance and internal investigation strategies. We advise on CFIUS, OFAC, and FCPA related matters. In addition, Mayer Brown has a dedicated FDA regulatory practice, which combines regulatory experience, industry knowledge and scientific capabilities.

Litigation and Dispute Resolution

We conduct litigation and international arbitration proceedings throughout the world to protect the global interests of our clients.

Cybersecurity and Data Protection

Our capabilities allow us to address a client's most complex international cybersecurity and data privacy issues, whether they require advice on creating an enterprise-wide privacy framework, counsel on international data transfers or assistance in responding to a data breach in multiple jurisdictions.

Technology Transactions

Our cutting-edge practice helps clients with technology transactions and includes experts in data rights, use privacy and protection, digital services, software development, licensing and integration, and outsourcing.

Fintech

We bring together an integrated multipractice team to support fintech companies with transactions, disputes and regulatory matters at the intersection of financial services and technology.

Life Sciences Transactions

Our life sciences group consists of a multidisciplinary team of lawyers with extensive industry knowledge and resources. Our clients range from start-ups to some of the largest life sciences companies in the world. We represent investment banks and other investors in capital markets and structured finance transactions relating to the life sciences industries.

Intellectual Property Protection and Licensing

We assist clients with assessing an IP portfolio, performing due diligence for an acquisition, securing a patent, trademark, trade secret or copyright, and litigation to resolve business disputes over infringement or misappropriation.

“Israel is [a] key market for the US team.”

—The Legal 500 US (Capital Markets)

Recognition



Financial Times

Mayer Brown is ranked as a top 10 firm in the Financial Times' 2020 list of "Most Innovative Law Firms," part of the publication's North America Innovative Lawyers 2020 report. The FT also ranked us among the "Most Digital Firms," based on use of data and technology.



BTI Consulting Group

We are named to "Client Service A-Team 2022: Survey of Law Firm Client Service Performance" report, a ranking of law firms based solely on objective feedback from corporate counsel.

Chambers Global

Leading firm for International Transactions: Capital Markets & Finance Specialists (US), Individuals ranked for Capital Markets: Debt & Equity (US), Corporate & M&A (Foreign expert for Israel), Israel: Capital Markets (Expertise based abroad in the USA), and Israel: Corporate/M&A (Expertise based abroad in USA)

Chambers USA

Individuals ranked for Capital Markets: Debt & Equity (US)

IFLR1000 US

Leading firm and individuals ranked for Capital Markets: Debt and Equity

The Legal 500 US

Leading firm and individuals recommended for Capital Markets: Debt Offerings (Advice to Issuers; Advice to Underwriters), Capital Markets: Equity Offerings (Advice to Issuers; Advice to Underwriters), and Capital Markets: Global Offerings (Advice to Issuers; Advice to Underwriters)

US News – Best Lawyers Best Law Firms

National: Securities/Capital Markets Law

Selected Clients



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Phyllis Korff has extensive experience in representing US and international issuers and investment banks in a wide variety of financing matters. Her industry experience is broad-based and includes asset management and other financial services, insurance and insurtech, biotech, health care, technology, connected and autonomous vehicles and manufacturing. She has worked with companies and underwriters based, not only in the United States but also in Israel, Asia, Europe, and Canada that want to access United States public and private markets. Phyllis has worked on all types of securities from common equity to convertible and high yield debt. She has worked on scores of initial public offerings, as well as follow-on offerings, exchange offerings and other transactions registered with the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), as well as offerings exempt from SEC registration pursuant to Rule 144A and Regulation S. Phyllis also represents SPACs and private companies in connection with mergers with SPACs. She works with private companies in pre-IPO financings and private tender offers, as well as on IPO readiness and corporate governance matters.



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Anna Pinedo is the co-leader of the Global Capital Markets Practice at Mayer Brown. She concentrates her practice on securities and derivatives. Anna represents issuers, investment banks/financial intermediaries and investors in financing transactions, including public offerings and private placements of equity and debt securities. Her practice includes representing issuers in connection with mergers with SPACs, as well as advising in connection with SPAC PIPE transactions, and related matters. She works closely with financial institutions to create and structure innovative financing techniques, including new securities distribution methodologies and financial products. She has particular financing experience in certain industries, including technology, tech-enabled industries (fintech, insurtech, connected and autonomous vehicles), telecommunications, healthcare, financial institutions, REITs and consumer finance. Anna has worked closely with foreign private issuers, including Israeli companies, in their securities offerings in the United States and in the Euro markets. She also works with financial institutions in connection with international offerings of equity and debt securities, equity- and credit-linked notes, and hybrid and structured products, as well as medium term note and other continuous offering programs.

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