

PRESS RELEASE

Baker Donelson Adds Christopher Douse to Securities Practice

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(Nashville, TN / January 12, 2015) Christopher Douse has joined Baker Donelson as an associate in the Firm's Securities and Corporate Governance Group.

Mr. Douse, an associate in Baker Donelson's Nashville office, focuses his practice in the representation of venture capital funds, investors in private equity transactions, start-up companies, and private and public companies in the mature stages of their growth cycle. He has particular experience in all aspects of public and private company representation, including public offerings, private placements, reporting obligations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley and Dodd-Frank, and general corporate matters, as well as mergers and acquisitions for both publicly-traded and privately-held entities. He also has experience practicing in the areas of commercial finance and banking, including transactions involving vessel finance and general business, equipment and inventory finance, representing both borrowers and lenders.

A 2011 magna cum laude graduate of Tulane University Law School, Mr. Douse was a recipient of the Pro Bono Publico award by AIDS Law of Louisiana, Inc. He previously served as a judicial intern for the United States District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee in Nashville. Prior to joining Baker Donelson, Mr. Douse was an attorney in the business group at Phelps Dunbar, LLP in New Orleans for three years.