

## ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS

Husch Blackwell delivers effective, efficient legal counsel to investors, entrepreneurs, and alternative investment funds acting as general partners and sponsors, limited partners, venture financing, and operating companies. Our clients include private equity firms, family offices, insurance companies, colleges and universities, banks, and funds of various types, including real estate funds, hedge funds, venture funds, and fund-of-funds vehicles. We also provide counsel to financial service providers, independent directors and advisors, broker-dealers, and third-party administrators, together with portfolio company representation. Our attorneys excel where our clients need counsel that is creative, nimble, and agile.

Our team excels in providing comprehensive solutions across the entire life cycle of an investment. From the initial structuring of funds and their organization to negotiating documentation for both traditional and bespoke fund strategies in various asset classes and industries, we support clients through every phase of investment management, including day-to-day operations and the strategic deployment of capital. We are also adept at representing investors looking to diversify and truly understand alternative investment vehicles.

Leveraging decades of experience, our alternative investments attorneys offer creative, customized solutions tailored to each client's unique needs. We have a deep understanding of the regulatory landscape and the specific rules affecting investors. This expertise, combined with our commitment to nimble and



*“Working with the Husch Blackwell team on a wide range of legal issues has consistently exceeded my expectations. I would sum up their services as knowledgeable, thorough, direct and, best of all, easy to manage.”*

— Gear Fisher,  
Former CEO,  
Peaksware —

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personalized service, enables us to address and resolve the distinct challenges our clients face.

## Experience

Venture Funding Sustains Growth of Pollenware

## Representative Experience

### **Fund Formation and Structuring**

Structured family limited partnerships with assets in excess of \$1 billion.

Worked with the FINRA and the SEC to structure and register special purpose broker-dealers

Assisted numerous advisory and brokerage firms with structuring and registration

Assisting sponsor of multiple bitcoin, bitmining and cryptocurrency in investments in a variety of different transactions including the launch of the client's first cryptocurrency hedge fund, the deployment of investment into cryptomining operations and various compliance issues around cryptocurrency

Implementing a domestic hedge fund using a series limited liability company that closed with \$15.6 million in initial capital

Implementing a \$250 million mezzanine fund focused on investments in the franchised food business

Advised family office in the formation of special purpose

investment fund for pooled investment opportunity to its clients

Advised on the structuring of a private placement offering online platform and investment vehicles in connection with the platform.

## **Capital Deployment**

Represented several closed-end funds in follow-on offerings

Represented a bank-holding company in \$30 million private placement of stock

Structured and prepared tax analysis for investments of private equity funds, venture capital funds, real estate funds, and offshore funds

Structured and prepared offering documents for numerous private funds and funds of funds with varying strategies, including numerous real estate strategies.

## **Transactional and Restructuring**

Represented asset management and financial planning firms on the sales of subsidiary firms

Represented a large investment adviser to open-end funds in its sale and restructuring

Counseled an open-end fund in its sale to another registered fund complex

Advised clients regarding restructuring family offices for tax efficiency

Represented an investment adviser to a fund complex in numerous multistage restructurings

Represented a group of in-vitro fertilization (IVF) physicians in connection with an extensive reorganization and \$15 million sale of partial ownership interests to a private equity fund.

## **Fund and Investment Operations**

Identified treaty-based position for U.K.-based family office with JV in the U.S. resulting in immediate cash savings for client of \$800,000

Assisting real estate private equity client in developing investment structures to accommodate tax-exempt investment and foreign investment and understanding registration requirements under the Investment Advisers Act

Counseled growth capital firm on a separately managed account investment relationship.