

S&K Vertical's lawyers have considerable experience in representing clients' interests in the preparation, conclusion and closing of mergers and acquisitions (M&A), including those in the framework of corporate conflicts and bankruptcy procedures, as well as in situations involving criminal law risks. The unique feature of our services is in the ability to manage any legal risks in corporate transactions, to clear title to assets, thereby increasing their market value.

The experience of S&K Vertical shows that the most profitable M&A transactions stem from legal conflicts ("special situations"), in which the legal skills and experience of the consultant are indispensable. S&K Vertical often acts as an escrow agent when handling complex M&A transactions, and in different jurisdictions. S&K Vertical's practice in the area of corporate law has repeatedly been recognized as one of the best in Russia (according to Pravo.ru-300 ranking for 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017), and recommended by international rankings Legal 500 and IFLR1000.

Professional experience:

- Representation of the shareholder of a large holding, including a bank, production companies and commercial real estate in a M&A transaction burdened by several criminal cases, a corporate conflict and a cross-border ownership structure, the value of the assets exceeds \$ 150 million;
- Representation of the shareholders of a major developer in the M&A transaction, including the transfer of rights to shopping centers and investment projects for the construction of residential buildings, handling of a corporate conflict, amicable settlement in bankruptcy proceedings, criminal law support for the transaction, the value of assets exceeds \$ 50 million;
- Representation of the shareholder in an industrial corporation in respect of an M&A transaction, including the transfer of rights to subsidiaries, production facilities, a complex system of escrow settlements, settlement of criminal risks, completion of a bankruptcy procedure, the value of assets exceeds \$ 50 million;
- Representation of the international medical companies in an acquisition of a network of medical centers in Russia, the M&A transaction included the transfer of rights to medical institutions involved in the mandatory health insurance system, settlement of antimonopoly issues, the value of assets exceeds \$ 30 million;
- Representation of a group of shareholders in an M&A transaction for the acquisition of several banks, approval of the transaction in the Central Bank, the size of the banks' capital exceeds 11 billion rubles;
- Representation of the owners of a major shopping center, including the preparation and implementation of the M&A transaction following the construction of the property, the transaction price amounted to \$ 15 million;
- Representation of the party to a corporate conflict in the M&A transaction, which provides for a mechanism of forced repurchase of shares and subsequent forced repurchase of shares.