

# Dentons strengthens corporate, private equity and cannabis practices with new partner Arin Aragona

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Dentons announces today that **Arin Aragona** has joined the Firm as a partner in its Corporate, Private Equity and Cannabis practice groups in Louisville. Arin, a former general counsel at a private equity firm focused on cannabis, brings a depth of experience that will help clients in a variety of transactional matters.

Arin focuses his practice on mergers and acquisitions, representing buyers and sellers. He also assists clients with business organization, financing, regulations and more across a variety of industries, including finance, manufacturing, agriculture, cannabis and others.

"We are delighted to welcome Arin to Dentons. His background and extensive experience working on corporate transactions, including M&A and financing, will be extremely beneficial to our clients as they seek to grow locally, nationally or globally," said Bill Kaiser, co-chair of Dentons' national Corporate practice.

Through his work at the boutique private equity firm, Arin gained unique insight and experience that helps him to better understand the needs of those currently in the cannabis industry, and those looking to enter the market. He can assist businesses and investors with company formation, regulations, licensing, raising capital, dispute resolution, restructuring work, capital deployment and more.

"As more states in the US legalize medical and adult use of cannabis, including Kentucky, Arin will be a tremendous asset for local companies looking to enter the space here, as well as assisting existing cannabis companies who operate across the country with their needs," explained Jim Irving, Louisville Office Managing Partner. "Adding talent like Arin, who has first-hand experience working within the cannabis industry, helps to reaffirm Dentons as key resource for cannabis companies."

Dentons' Cannabis practice has been top ranked by *Chambers USA* and was recognized as Law360's Cannabis Group of the Year in 2021. Medical cannabis becomes legal in Kentucky on Jan. 1, 2025.

Before his in-house role, Arin was a partner in a Chicago law firm, focused on bet-the-company litigation and highly regulated industries.

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