

Our combination history

While the combination to create our global firm occurred just in 2013, the legal practices that have combined to form Dentons have deep roots in their communities, which provides clients a competitive edge, knowing that understanding local cultures is crucial to successfully completing a deal, resolving a dispute or solving a business challenge.

2021

Dentons combines with Sirote & Permutt, P.C. in the United States.

Dentons combines with ACAS-Law in Nigeria.

Dentons combines with Davis Brown Law Firm in the United States.

Dentons combines with East African Law Chambers (EALC) in Tanzania.

Dentons opens Grenada office.

Dentons combines with Paz Horowitz Abogados in Ecuador.

Dentons opens Montevideo's Zona Franca office in Uruguay.

Dentons combines with Guevara & Gutierrez in Bolivia.

Dentons combines with Fernanda Lopes & Associados-Advogados in Mozambique.

2020

Dentons combines with Bingham Greenebaum and Doll LLP in the United States.

Dentons combines with Cohen & Grigsby, P.C. in the United States.

Dentons combines with Kensington Swan in New Zealand.

Dentons combines with Lee International in South Korea.

Dentons combines with Jiménez de Aréchaga, Viana & Brause in Uruguay.

Dentons combines with with Rattagan Macchiavello Arocena in Argentina.

Dentons opens offices in the British Virgin Islands and St. Lucia.

Dentons combines with LEAD Advogados in Angola.

Dentons opens Dublin office.

Dentons opens Medellin office.

Dentons combines with Durham Jones & Pinegar in the United States.

Dentons opens Sanya office.

Dentons combines with Eric Silwamba, Jalasi and Linyama Legal Practitioners in Zambia.

2019

Dentons combines with Chile's Larrain Rencoret Urzua.

Dentons launches Despacho de Abogados miembros de Dentons, SC in Venezuela.

Dentons combines with Gustavo Zacapa y Asociados in Honduras.

Dentons combines with Fisher Jeffries in Adelaide.

Dentons combines with Sayarh & Menjra in Morocco.

Dentons combines with Kyagaba & Otatiina Advocates in Kampala.

Dentons opens Düsseldorf office.

2018

Dentons opens Brisbane office.

Dentons opens San Salvador office.

Dentons combines with Alston Hunt Floyd & Ing in Honolulu and Hilo.

Dentons combines with Dinner Martin in the Cayman Islands.

Dentons combines with Delany Law in Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean.

Dentons combines with Malaysia's Zain & Co.

Dentons combines with Indonesia's Hanafiah Ponggawa & Partners.

Dentons combines with Kenya's Hamilton, Harrison & Matthews.

Dentons combines with Mauritius' Mardemootoo Solicitors and Balgobin Chambers.

Dentons opens Nicaragua office.

2017

Dentons opens Monterrey, Mexico office.

Dentons and Muñoz Global complete combination, adding offices in Costa Rica, Panama and Guatemala.

Dentons and Peru's Gallo Barrios Pickmann combine.

Dentons and Brazil's Vella Pugliese Buosi Guidoni (VPBG) form Strategic Alliance.

	<p>Dentons enters into association with Alston Hunt Floyd & Ing in Honolulu and Hilo.</p> <p>Dentons combines with Amsterdam's Boekel.</p> <p>Dentons opens Melbourne office.</p> <p>Dentons opens Yengon, Myanmar office.</p> <p>Dentons combines with Maclay Murray & Spens in Scotland, UK</p>
2016	<p>Rodyk combines with Dentons.</p> <p>Dentons and Colombia's Cardenas & Cardenas finalize combination.</p> <p>Dentons and Mexico's Lopez Velarde finalize combination.</p> <p>Dentons expands in Asia Pacific by combining with offices in Sydney, Port Moresby and Perth.</p> <p>Dentons opens Sacramento office.</p> <p>Dentons opens Oakland office.</p> <p>Dentons opens Rome office.</p> <p>Dentons opens Munich office.</p>
2015	<p>McKenna Long & Aldridge merges with Dentons US.</p> <p>大成 combines with Dentons.</p> <p>Dentons opens Milan office.</p>
2013	<p>Salans, Fraser Milner Casgrain (FMC) and SNR Denton combine to create Dentons.</p> <p>McKenna Long & Aldridge expands its national footprint with the addition of 15 aviation lawyers from Dombroff Gilmore Jaques & French to the litigation practice.</p> <p>Dentons opens Houston office.</p>
2012	<p>SNR Denton opens locations in Atlanta and New Orleans.</p> <p>McKenna Long & Aldridge merges with Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps.</p>
2011	<p>SNR Denton opens offices in Beijing, Hong Kong and Shanghai.</p>
2010	<p>Denton Wilde Sapte and Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal combine to create SNR Denton, a global top 25 firm.</p> <p>SNR Denton opens Amman office.</p> <p>Salans opens Brussels office.</p>

2009	<p>100 lawyers from the Wall Street firm Thacher Proffitt & Wood join Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal.</p> <p>Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal opens Miami location.</p> <p>McKenna Long & Aldridge expands its California foothold and real estate practice with the addition of 17 lawyers from Los Angeles-based Brown Winfield Canzoneri Abram Inc.</p> <p>Gadens' Perth office merges with Christensen Vaughan a boutique commercial law firm.</p>
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2007	<p>Denton Wilde Sapte opens offices in Amman, Doha and Riyadh.</p> <p>Salans opens offices in Madrid and Barcelona.</p> <p>Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal opens offices in Dallas and Silicon Valley.</p> <p>McKenna Long & Aldridge establishes its McKenna Long & Aldridge Foundation.</p> <p>Luce Forward opens its Orange County, CA office.</p>
2006	<p>Salans further expands in Paris and opens in Berlin.</p> <p>Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal opens Phoenix office.</p> <p>Luce Forward opens its Rancho Santa Fe office.</p>
2005	<p>Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal opens Boston location.</p>
2004	<p>Salans expands in Central and Eastern Europe with an alliance with one of the largest firms in Budapest which joins Salans two years later.</p>
2003	<p>Salans opens offices in Prague, Bucharest, Bratislava, Istanbul and Shanghai.</p>
2001	<p>Luce Forward opens its Carmel Valley/Del Mar office, expanding its service to technology and media clients.</p>
2000	<p>Fraser Milner merges with Montreal's Byers Casgrain to form Fraser Milner Casgrain, with offices in Calgary, Edmonton, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Vancouver.</p> <p>Wilde Sapte merges with Denton Hall forming Denton Wilde Sapte.</p>

	Denton Wilde Sapte opens Paris office and launches its first associations with prominent law firms in two countries in Africa, inaugurating what will become the largest network of associated law firms in Africa of any global law firm.
1999	Salans undertakes the first transatlantic law firm merger with New York-based Christy & Viener and expands in CIS with the opening of an office in Baku. Fox & Gibbons joins Denton Hall, firm opens offices in Almaty and Tashkent.
1998	Ontario and British Columbia-based Fraser & Beatty and Alberta-based Milner Fenerty become Fraser Milner. Salans expands in London merging with a specialist banking and corporate firm Harris Rosenblatt & Kramer.
1997	Gadens' Perth office is launched.
1994	Salans opens office in Almaty, entering Central Asia. Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal opens Kansas City office. Luce Forward acquires offices in Los Angeles and San Francisco.
1993	Denton Hall opens Moscow office. Salans opens St. Petersburg office.
1992	大成 is founded in China. Salans opens offices in Kyiv and London.
1991	Fenerty Robertson merges with the Edmonton firm of Milner & Steer, creating Milner Fenerty, the largest law firm west of Toronto. Salans opens offices in Moscow and Warsaw becoming one of the first western firms in the former USSR and Eastern Europe, beginning a dozen years of rapid expansion in Central and Eastern Europe.
1990	One year after the Supreme Court of Canada allows the creation of law firms crossing provincial borders, Fraser & Beatty, with offices in Toronto and Ottawa, merges with Mawhinney & Kellough to become one of Canada's first national firms. Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal opens offices in Los Angeles and St. Louis. McKenna & Cuneo grows its practices in Denver and California and opens offices in San Diego and Brussels. The firm also incorporates Technology Sciences Group, Inc. (TSG) to support its chemicals practice.
1988	Denton Hall & Burgin opens Milton Keynes office and large group of a lawyers from the City of London firm Herbert Oppenheimer, Nathan & Vandyk join the firm.

	A group of M&A, Securities, Real Estate and Finance attorneys from Hansell & Post join Long Aldridge & Norman. The firm grows to more than 70 attorneys.
1987	Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal opens San Francisco office.
1986	Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal opens Washington, DC office.
1985	Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal opens New York office in first step to becoming a national firm with offices in 13 American cities.
	Denton Hall & Burgin joined by the partners of the City of London law firm Warrens.
1980	J. Donald Mawhinney and Howard Kellough establish Mawhinney & Kellough in Vancouver.
	Sellers Conner & Cuneo merges with McKenna & Fitting to form McKenna Conner & Cuneo, expanding in California. The firm later changes its name to McKenna & Cuneo.
1979	Fox & Gibbons opens Muscat office.
1978	Carl Salans, Jeffrey Hertzfeld and Eliane Heilbronn form Salans Hertzfeld Heilbronn in Paris.
1974	Clay Long, John Aldridge and Bill Stevens establish an Atlanta-based law firm that eventually becomes known as Long Aldridge & Norman LLP.
1969	Members of Gadens' Sydney office open a practice in Papua New Guinea's capital, Port Moresby.
1968	Fox & Gibbons opens Dubai office.
1967	Fox & Gibbons opens Abu Dhabi office.
1964	Fox & Gibbons, a predecessor of Denton Hall opens office in Cairo, embarking on nearly 50 years of expansion in the Middle East.
1958	Gilbert Cuneo, vice chairman of the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals, joins Cummings & Sellers and establishes the modern-day practice of government contracts law. The firm becomes Sellers, Conner & Cuneo.
1939	Homer Cummings, former chairman of the National Democratic Party, and former attorney general under Franklin Delano Roosevelt, forms Cummings & Stanley, with Bill Stanley, assistant to the attorney general.
1929	The law practice of Charles H. Forward merges with Luce.
1913	Cardenas & Cardenas is founded by Parmenio Cardenas.
1912	Lloyd Hamilton Fenerty and Henry Phipps Otto Savary open a Calgary law firm that will eventually become Milner Fenerty.

	Savary & Fenerty (later Fenerty, Robertson) established in Calgary.
1906	Edward Sonnenschein, Maurice Berkson and Isadore Blumenthal form a Chicago law firm that will become Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal.
1888	Earliest predecessor of Milner & Steer law practice established in Edmonton.
1885	Denton and Hall joined by Charles and Edward Burgin to become Denton Hall & Burgin.
1873	Moses A. Luce starts his law practice and joins the bankers, builders and visionaries who shaped San Diego, California's first city. In 1889, Luce drafts the San Diego City Charter.
1861	Woods & Davidson, the firm that would be come Rodyk and Davidson, was founded by Robert Carr Woods and James Guthrie Davidson.
1839	John Willoughby Crawford opens a law firm in Toronto that will be the earliest predecessor of Fraser & Beatty.
1828	John Gaden starts his practice in the Sydney suburb of Double Bay with 10 lawyers, the precursor of what would become Dentons' Sydney office.
1788	Samuel Denton establishes a firm of solicitors in London that will become Denton Hall.
1785	Thomas Wilde and Archer Hussey form the London law firm that will become Wilde Sapte.
1742	The firm of Warrens, the earliest predecessor firm of Denton Hall, opens in the City of London.

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