



Wilke Fleury

Wilke Fleury Seed Transactional Practice



Robert Mirkin and Daniel Egan offer extensive experience in seed industry transactions.

Bob is one of the firm's senior partners and is a Martindale Hubble AV Preeminent Attorney as the result of rankings by his peers. He is one of the firm's lead partners in selective mergers and acquisitions, with particular emphasis on transactions involving company clients. He also assists the firm's clients with real estate transactions that are part of a merger or acquisition or as separate stand-alone projects. He is the chair of the firm's receivership practice group and he often represents receivers in the process of selling businesses that are agricultural enterprises, tech companies, health care entities, engineering concerns and production companies. Bob's experience spans 32 years.

Dan regularly represents businesses in sales, acquisition and merger transactions. Dan's background in Chapter 11 bankruptcy, insolvency and corporate law enables him to represent clients in traditional sales and acquisitions as well as in transactions occurring in more complicated contexts. Dan is a former managing partner of Wilke Fleury and remains active in management. He is also active in the local bar association and is former chair of the Agribusiness Committee of the California State Bar. Dan's experience spans 27 years.



Dan and Bob have extensive experience representing seed companies and M&A transactions, including the following:

- Mid-Market Seed Industry Transactions
- Represented a multi-national seed company (Sakata Seed America) in acquiring the stock of Qualiveg Seed Production, Inc., a developer of hybrid watermelon seed.
- Represented the California Planting Cotton Seed Distributors in the sale of its assets to a multi-national seed company. Assets sold to Bayer CropScience.
- Represented a multi-national seed company (Sakata Seed Corporation) in acquiring the cabbage and red kale breeding program of Donald P. Reed, dba Reed's Seeds.
- Represented Shamrock Seed Company in a proposed sale to Monsanto. Substantial negotiations took place but the transaction was not finally consummated. Preparation of company for sale resulted in a subsequent sale to a different multi-national seed company.
- Represented Shamrock Seed Company in the sale of its stock to a multi-national seed company (Vilmorin, Inc).
- Represented Sunfield Seeds, Inc. in the sale of its stock to a multi-national seed company (Syngenta Seeds, Inc.).



Other Representative M&A Transactions

- Represented E-Filliate, Inc./VWR Education, LLC, a mobile technology program company, in the sale of its business assets and inventory to VWR Education, LLC.
- Represented DSA Technologies/Steelhead Data, LLC, a technology service and solution company, in the acquisition of certain business assets of Steelhead Data, LLC.
- Represented CalSierra Construction, an engineering and pipeline company, in the sale of its aggregate mining and processing business assets to SGA Materials, Inc.
- Represented Magnus Pacific Corporation, a geotechnical engineering company, in the sale of its stock to Great Lakes Environmental & Infrastructure Solutions LLC, a subsidiary of Great Lakes Dredge and Dock Corporation.
- Represented EMCO High Voltage Corporation, a high voltage power supply design and manufacturing company, through its court-appointed receiver in the sale of its assets to XP Power LLC.

For nearly 95 years, Wilke Fleury has served businesses, governmental entities and individuals by providing comprehensive legal services while maintaining the highest standards of integrity and client service.

The firm's lawyers represent decades of experience and expertise in litigation; government relations and political law; construction; employment; bankruptcy; business transactions, including sales and mergers; real estate; tax; estate planning and professional liability defense. The firm has also gained a national reputation in the health care arena.



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Additional Food and Ag Transactions

- Involved in the sale of several million dollars of rice land in the northern Sacramento Valley.
- Represented Seller in a multi-million dollar sale of certain assets of the company (fruit packing plant, operations and solar field) in Tulare County, California.
- Act as general counsel for a major rice drying facility in Northern California.