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Thomas L. Benson III has practiced law for more than 25 years with emphasis in mergers and acquisitions, general corporate matters and estate planning. Tom counsels clients regarding the formation of entities; private placements to raise capital when necessary; structure, negotiation and consummation of mergers; acquisitions, transactions and other strategic alliances. He also provides advice to individuals and closely-held entities regarding estate planning, business succession, shareholder issues and limited liability company matters.

*Areas of Practice:*

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Corporate Law
- Corporate Finance
- Estate Planning

*Bar and Court Admissions:*

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- Southern Methodist University School of Law, J.D., 1977
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- Bar Association of St. Louis
- Bar Association of Missouri
- American Bar Association
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