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Entertainment, Media and Communications

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Our Entertainment, Media and Communications practice brings together attorneys from specialist disciplines within the firm, from Corporate to Tax to Banking and Finance, whether closing transactions for institutional entertainment companies or handling matters for individuals in the entertainment business, whether in new or established forms of media. The Intellectual Property and Entertainment Litigation groups offer a complete range of dispute resolution services, including resolving intellectual property issues and breach of contract issues. Our attorneys assist our clients by identifying potential areas of liability and vigorously enforcing their contractual and property rights.

Our practice includes attorneys who are experts in their respective fields and who maintain contacts with highly placed individuals throughout the industry. Our unparalleled strength comes from a combination of our expertise and our contacts, enhancing our capacity to negotiate effectively and close deals, thereby avoiding "overlawyering." Our expertise in crafting deals, whether in established or emerging media, is an invaluable resource to Pryor Cashman's clients.

Our clients include individuals and institutions, located in the U.S. and overseas, including major motion picture studios, mini-major studios, television companies, cable companies, Internet companies, production companies, distributors, high net-worth individuals, hedge funds, investment banks and other financial institutions, music companies, publishers, sports teams, completion guarantors, executives, athletes and artists of every kind, including, singers, musicians, writers, directors, producers and actors.

Areas of Focus

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