

# Duane Morris Welcomes Corporate Partner C. Scott Murray in Dallas

C. Scott Murray has joined Duane Morris LLP as a partner in the firm's Corporate Practice Group in its Dallas office. Prior to joining Duane Morris, Murray was vice president and general counsel at Gramercy Capital Partners.

"We're excited to continue to expand our footprint and enhance our bench strength in Dallas with Scott Murray," said Duane Morris Chairman and CEO Matthew A. Taylor. "We are seeing strong demand for corporate work, and increasing our Texas presence with full service offerings for our clients remains a critical firm objective."

"In this heightened deal-making environment, Scott strengthens our corporate practice and accelerates our growth opportunities," said Brian P. Kerwin, chair of the firm's Corporate Practice Group. "His valuable experience, practice-building skills and connections in the regional private equity community are a great foundation to build out our presence in an important market."

"Scott adds to the continued momentum we're building in Dallas since opening our office six months ago," said Randy Gordon, managing partner of Duane Morris' Dallas office. "We're thrilled to welcome him to our growing team."

At Gramercy Capital Partners, Murray was responsible for and oversaw all legal matters for fund and portfolio holding operations. As a senior adviser for all legal issues, he advised senior executives on corporate acquisitions and divestitures and legal, tax and operational risks as well as current legal issues affecting litigation, real estate, regulatory compliance, intellectual property and employee

rights. Murray also managed the firm's outside counsel. He addressed all aspects of investment fund formation, including the representation of sponsors in the formation of new private investment vehicles. Murray prepared SEC registration statements and periodic reports. He performed corporate transactions associated with private mergers, stock and asset acquisitions and divestitures, going-private transactions, partnership allocation and debt issues, in all sectors, and addressed compliance and registration issues such as SEC 33 & 34 Acts. Murray led due diligence and deal term negotiations for awarded proposals. Prior to his time at Gramercy Capital Partners, he was an attorney at Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP and Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP.

"Duane Morris has a strong private equity industry group and a growing presence in Dallas," said Murray. "I'm looking forward to returning to private practice with an opportunity to increase the firm's corporate reach in Texas and nationwide."

Murray is a graduate of Southern Methodist University, Cox School of Business (MBA, 2020), New York University School of Law (LL.M., 2007), the University of Arkansas School of Law (J.D., cum laude, 2005) and Baylor University (B.A., 1995).