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Practice Areas

- Technology Companies Group
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Corporate Governance
- Fintech
- Blockchain and Virtual Currency

Honors

- *Chambers USA*, Nationwide, Startups & Emerging Companies, Band 3 (2019, 2020) “He is a hard-working, practical lawyer, with a lot of deal experience.”
- *Financial Times* “Top 10 Most Innovative Individuals of the Year” (2017)
- *The Recorder’s* ‘Innovator of the Year in California’ (2019)
- *The Recorder’s* ‘Trusted Advisor’ (2016)
- *The Recorder’s* ‘Innovation Award’ (2015)
- *Chambers USA*, California, Venture Capital, Band 2 (2020) “He provides excellent advice and has a lot of expertise and deal experience.” (2019) “He

John Bautista, a member of Orrick's Board of Directors and Technology Companies Group, leads Orrick's international Technology Companies practice connecting Silicon Valley with Europe and Asia.

John focuses his practice on advising emerging companies and investors, and represents both public and private high-tech and life sciences companies in many areas, including corporate and securities law, venture capital financings, mergers and acquisitions, public offerings, public company representation and technology licensing.

The Recorder named John the “2019 Innovator of the Year” for his work as the chief lawyer on the Long-Term Stock Exchange, a U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission-approved exchange designed to change the paradigm of traditional stock markets by rewarding entrepreneurs and investors committed to long-term business strategies. *Financial Times* recognized John as one of the Top 10 Most Innovative Individuals of the Year in 2017, calling him “one of the most influential lawyers in the technology ecosystem of Silicon Valley.” He is ranked Band 2 by *Chambers USA* California, for Venture Capital and *Chambers USA* Nationwide, ranked him Band 3 for Startups & Emerging Companies.

John is a Board member and co-founder of the Long-Term Stock Exchange, which is creating a new stock exchange for public companies supporting long-term investors, as well as an advisor and co-founder of Clerky.com, a company automating legal work for early-stage companies. He is also recognized for his work with Y Combinator companies.

Prior to joining Orrick, John was a founding attorney of Venture Law Group and served on the Executive Committee. John previously practiced at Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich & Rosati. John also served as Mayor of the City of Cupertino, California and a council member from 1993-1997, where he helped build important public partnerships, including with Apple Computer, the Mid-Peninsula Open Space Preserve, and San Jose and California Water Companies.

Representative Engagements

Representative transactions include the following:

- **Twist Bioscience** in its \$70 million initial public offering
- **IronPlanet** dual track IPO and sale process, resulting in its sale to Richie Bros. Auctioneers
- **Sequans Communications** initial public offering

has a very good knowledge of the market and is good at anticipating company needs and bringing other resources in.”

- *Super Lawyers*, Northern California 'Top Rated Securities & Corporate Finance Attorney' (2014-2019)
- *Chambers USA*, 'Leaders in Their Field' (2013)
- *Silicon Valley Business Journal's* 'Top 30 Under 30 Political and Social Leaders in Silicon Valley'

Education

- J.D., Harvard Law School, 1991
- Visiting Scholar, International and Comparative Law, Institut d'Etudes Politiques - Paris
- B.A., University of California, Los Angeles, *summa cum laude*

Memberships

- State Bar of California
- Council Member, City of Cupertino, California (1993-1997)
- Mayor, City of Cupertino, California (1996-1997)

- **Zesty, Inc.** sale to Snap
- **Delighted Inc.** sale to Qualtrics
- **Stripe, Inc.** acquisition of Index
- **Datasift, Inc.** sale to Meltwater
- **Zenly** sale to Snap
- **SportsAction, Inc.** sale to The Chernin Group
- **Disqus** sale to Zeta Global
- **Humble Bundle** sale to IGN
- **ClariPhy Communications** sale to InPhi
- **Yes** sale to Twitter
- **Cruise Automation** sale to General Motors
- **Stupeflix** sale to GoPro
- **Thales** acquisition of Vormetric
- **Heyzap** sale to RNTS Media
- **Compose** sale to IBM
- **Image recognition company** sale to major computer hardware and software company
- **Virtual reality company** sale to Google
- **eNovance** sale to RedHat
- **LaFourchette** sale to TripAdvisor
- **Shutl** sale to eBay
- **Cue** sale to Major computer hardware and software company
- **Flutter** sale to Google
- **Neolane** sale to Adobe
- **Posterous** sale to Twitter
- **BackType** sale to Twitter
- **Cardpool** sale to Blackhawk
- **Scoopler** sale to Google
- **CitizenSports** sale to Yahoo!
- **CubeTree** sale to SuccessFactors
- **Xoopit** sale to Yahoo!
- **eTacts** sale to Salesforce
- **Heroku** sale to Salesforce
- **Vhayu Technologies** sale to Thomson Reuters
- **Movity** sale to Trulia
- **Scoopler** sale to Google
- **Talkbin** sale to Google
- **Zenbe** sale to Facebook
- **Centrality Communications** sale to SiRF Technology Holdings
- **Purisma Incorporated** sale to Dun & Bradstreet

Languages

- French
- Spanish

Admissions

- California