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### Education

University of Maryland, B.S., cum laude

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### Admissions

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Simone Collins is an associate of Sklar Kirsh LLP in the Corporate Department. Simone's practice focuses on representing public and private companies and private equity and venture capital firms in domestic and cross-border transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, leveraged buyouts, strategic add-ons, joint ventures, debt and equity financing, venture capital financing and other general corporate matters. She has experience representing clients in a broad array of industries, including media and entertainment, hospitality and leisure, retail and consumer products, professional services, and manufacturing and industrials.

Prior to joining Sklar Kirsh LLP, Simone was an associate in the Corporate Group of Latham & Watkins LLP in Los Angeles. At Latham, her practice focused on mergers and acquisitions, leveraged buyouts, strategic add-ons and joint venture transactions for public and private companies and private equity firms. From 2012 to 2014, Simone was an associate in the Corporate Group of Jones Day LP in Chicago, where her practice focused on mergers and acquisitions and other private equity transactions, as well as joint ventures and venture capital financing. Prior to attending law school, Simone worked as a financial advisor in the corporate restructuring and recovery department of a global consulting firm.

Born in Cape Town, South Africa, and raised in New Jersey, Simone received a Bachelor of Science in Finance, cum laude, from the University of Maryland. While at Maryland, Simone was a four-year varsity letter winner and starter on the Division I women's soccer team, earning All-ACC Academic Team Honors and First Team CoSIDA Academic All-District Honors. Simone also received the University of Maryland Scholar Athlete Award for athletic and academic excellence. Simone later received her Juris Doctorate, cum laude, from Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, where she was a member of, and published author in, the Northwestern Journal of International Law and Business, and a winner of the Arlyn Miner Book Award for excellence in persuasive legal writing.

Simone is a member of the California and Illinois bars. She is also a member of the Los Angeles chapter of the Association for Corporate Growth (ACG) and has been selected by ACG as a Rising Star for 2016/2017.

Simone enjoys traveling, triathlons, snowboarding, rock climbing and yoga.

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