



# DLA Piper Global Women's Leadership Summit



## Kathleen Ruhland

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Kathy Ruhland advises clients on cross-border transactions, including global M&A, restructuring and joint ventures, in established and emerging markets throughout the world.

Recognized by third parties for providing superior client service, Ms. Ruhland advises a number of world-leading corporations. Her recent work includes transactions in the Middle East and Europe, as well as India, Hong Kong and China.

Ms. Ruhland holds the following firm Leadership positions:

- Steering Committee, Global Alignment and Integration
- Co-Chair, Food and Beverage Sector
- Co-Chair, Global Leadership Alliance for Woman (LAW)
- Member of DLA Piper's governing Policy Committee

Ruhland advises privately and publicly held companies in the following areas:

Mergers, acquisitions and divestitures

Advises companies in various industries in global M&A transactions which often involve multiple jurisdictions. Effective in directing large teams of lawyers and accountants to assist clients in structuring, negotiating, implementing and closing global transactions.

Joint ventures and strategic alliances

Advises companies in negotiating, structuring, operating and exiting international equity joint venture arrangements, licensing, distribution and manufacturing agreements, collaborative marketing arrangements and other strategic alliances.

Pre-and Post-acquisition integration and restructurings

Advises companies on global post-acquisition integration and restructurings including significant experience in global supply chain structures, complex reorganizations involving multiple jurisdictions and other group restructurings.

Foreign direct investment

Advises companies regarding the international legal and tax aspects of the establishment of branch and subsidiary operations, setting up manufacturing operations, and advising clients regarding local investment incentives.

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## International compliance

Advises US multinationals on compliance issues under US laws affecting cross-border transactions including the Office of Foreign Control Sanctions Programs, anti-boycott legislation and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA).

## Global tax planning

Advises companies on international tax matters in connection with international transactions, reorganizations and other international tax planning matters.

Kathy Ruhland earned her J.D., *magna cum laude*, from William Mitchell College of Law, and her B.A., *cum laude*, from the University of St. Thomas.