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Christina Hamilton combines a background in securities compliance and trading supervision with more than two decades representing investment advisers in all aspects of their businesses, including structure, ongoing operations and regulatory matters.

Recent News: Shartsis Friese Recognized in Chambers 2026 Global Guide for Hedge Fund Law

Christina focuses her practice on representing investment advisers, including advisers to hedge funds and other private investment funds, and advisers to separately managed accounts. Before joining the firm, she was a vice president at Banc of America Securities LLC.

Christina regularly advises clients on issues including:

- Structuring domestic and offshore investment funds (including hedge funds, private equity funds, co-investment vehicles and special purpose vehicles)
- Structuring and organizing investment management firms, including preparing and negotiating agreements among owners
- Counseling investment advisers on federal and state regulatory issues, and assisting with regulatory examinations and ongoing compliance matters

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- [Investment Funds & Advisers](#)
- [Hedge Funds](#)
- [Private Equity Funds](#)
- [Real Estate Funds](#)
- [Venture Capital & Growth Equity Funds](#)

EDUCATION

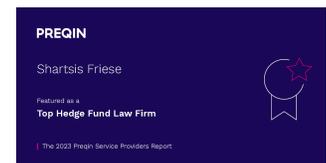
University of California College of the Law, San Francisco; J.D., *magna cum laude*
 Dartmouth College; B.A., history, *cum laude*

BAR ADMISSIONS

California

ACCOLADES

2026 Legal 500 US City Elite – San Francisco, Finance & Restructuring, Level 3



- Negotiating seed agreements with founding/anchor investors and investor side letters
- Preparing and negotiating investment management agreements for separately managed accounts and sub-advisory agreements
- Advising on marketing arrangements and materials
- Negotiating third party agreements, including fund administration and placement agent agreements
- Preparing and negotiating employment, bonus and separation agreements



Christina also chairs the firm’s Charitable Contributions and Pro Bono Committee.

Experience

Christina’s extensive experience includes the representation of:

- \$2.5 billion hedge fund manager focused on fixed-income and relative-value strategies
- \$2 billion investment manager with funds and separately managed accounts, investing primarily in equity, convertible and fixed-income securities,
- \$2.8 billion long/short global investment manager with hedge funds and private equity funds, targeting technology, consumer and services sectors
- \$5 billion investment fund manager managing a long/short equity hedge fund with side pockets
- \$800 million technology-focused investment manager with hedge, long only, venture capital and other closed-end funds
- \$750 million investment manager to long/short hedge fund and sub-advisor for long/short and short strategies
- \$1.5 billion investment manager to TMT funds, including hedge, private equity and venture capital funds
- \$1.6 billion investment adviser providing financial planning, investment management and family office services to high-net-worth individuals and families
- \$1.1 billion investment adviser offering portfolio management, financial

planning and closed end funds

- \$1.2 billion multi-family office
- Numerous other SEC-registered (over \$150 million AUM), California-licensed and exempt managers (both emerging and other managers) to long/short and long-biased hedge funds and other alternative funds

Activities

- American Bar Association, Private Funds Subcommittee
- Bar Association of San Francisco, Business Law Section
- 100 Women in Finance
- Financial Women's Association