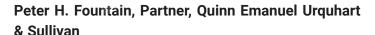
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RISING STARS: PETER H. FOUNTAIN



Practice Profile: Peter represents companies and individuals in high-stakes disputes, with a focus on mergers & acquisitions and financial services litigation. During the past year (January 2024 - May 2025), he has secured three major victories: a complete trial victory in the Desktop Metal v. Nano Dimension merger enforcement action in the Delaware Court of Chancery (March 2025), a preliminary injunction win for Ingersoll Rand in a critical noncompete case arising from a \$2.3 billion acquisition (September 2024), and an unprecedented public apology from the IRS in a case reported to involve the largest data theft in IRS history (June 2024). His practice spans multiple forums, demonstrating versatility across complex commercial disputes.

Leadership, Pro Bono and Civic Work: Peter actively leads Quinn Emanuel's recruitment initiatives, particularly with Columbia Law School, and focuses on recruiting and developing attorneys with public school backgrounds. In the past year, Peter represented a New York-based civil services organization.



Prior Experience: Litigation Associate, Cravath, Swaine & Moore (2015-2019); Law Clerk, Hon. Dora L. Irizarry, Chief United States District Court Judge, Eastern District of New York (2019-2020); Associate; Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan (2020-2023); Partner, Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan (2024-present)

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What advice would you give to young lawyers? Young lawyers shouldn't hesitate to ask questions or share what might seem like a "dumb idea." More often than not, others in the room are wondering the same thing. Asking thoughtful questions doesn't reveal ignorance—it demonstrates engagement and a commitment to getting things right.